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1829 Joseph F. Wright of St. Louis County, Missouri, was a son of 1849 Thomas Wright of Franklin County and Phebe (____) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1849 Thomas[3])

The 1802 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright T son with the following property:

	Persons Names	White Tithes	Blacks Over 16	Blacks Over 12 & Under 16
March 19	Joseph Wright T son	1	0	-

Horses &c &c &c	Stud Horses	Rates p Season	Store License	Dollars Cents
1	-	-	-	- 12

The reference to "T son" clearly identifies this Joseph Wright as the son of 1849 Thomas Wright of Franklin County. The absence of Joseph Wright from the 1801 Personal Property Tax List and his first listing in the 1802 Personal Property Tax List indicates that he was probably born after 1780.

The 1803 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed two Joseph Wright Jr's, one of whom had the following property:

	Persons Names	White Tithes	Blacks Over 16	Blacks Under 16 & Over 12
Aug 6	Joseph Wright Jnr	1	-	-

Horses, Mares & Colts	Stud Horses	Rate per Season	Merchant License	Dollar Cents
1	-	-	-	- 12

This was probably 1829 Joseph F. Wright, since the other Joseph Wright Jr. in 1803 had two white tithes in his household and that would more likely have been 1844 Joseph Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, who was older than 1829 Joseph F. Wright.

The 1804 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright Jur with the following property:

Date of Recving lists	Persons Names Owning Property	White Tithes	Blacks Ov 16	Blacks 12 & 16
May 5	Joseph Wright Jur	1	-	1

Horses	Stud Horses	Rate per Season	Merchant License	Taxes
1	-	-	-	- 56

The 1805 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright Jur with the following property:

	Persons Names	White Tithes	Blacks Over 16	B under 16 & O. 12
May 4	Joseph Wright Jur	1	-	1

Horses	Studs	Rate per Season	Merchant License	Taxes
1	-	-	-	- 12

On August 17, 1805, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 5/127 Joseph Wright and Solomon Wright purchased 230 acres of land from John and Elizabeth Hiser:

> "This Indenture made this seventeenth day of august, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and five, between John Hiser, and Elizabeth his wife of the County of Franklin of the one part and Joseph Wright and Solomon Wright, of said County of the other - part, Witnesseth, that the said John Hiser, and Elizabeth his wife for and in consideration of the sum of two hundred pounds current money of Virginia, to them in hand paid, the Receipt whereof they do hereby acknowledge, hath granted, bargained, and Sold & by these presents do grant, bargain, Sell, and confirm unto the said Joseph Wright and Solomon

Wright, their heirs &c, one certain Tract, or parcel of Land lying and being in the County of Franklin on the head Branches of Gills Creek, containing Two hundred and thirty acres and Bounded as followeth, to wit, Begining at a white oak, north 55 Degrees East 16 poles to a Chesnut tree, North 51 East 27 poles crossing a Branch to a red oak, North 45 West 34 poles to Pointers, North 44 East 74 poles to a double red oak North 4 East 28 poles to Stone's line, North 8 degrees West 38 poles to a Gum and Hickory, North 37 degrees East 40 poles to a red and Chesnut oak, North 87 Degrees East 32 poles to two red oaks South 18 Degrees E. 198 poles crossing two Branches to a Hickory Grub in Early's line, South 31 Degrees West 44 poles to a white oak on a Branch thence down the same as it meanders and across to a Poplar, South 25 West 10 poles crossing a Branch to a white oak, South 9 Degrees West 38 poles to a C. Oak, South 49 Degrees West 28 poles to Pointers, North 53 Degrees West, 108 poles to a red oak, North 18 Degrees West 84 poles to the first Station. To have and To hold the above said Land & premisses unto them, the above named Joseph Wright & Solomon Wright their heirs &c they the said John Hiser and Elizabeth his wife, do warrant and forever defend a good and lawful right & title in fee Simple to them, the said Joseph Wright & Solomon Wright, their heirs &c, and against the claim or demand of all person or persons whatsoever. In Witness whereof they the said John Hiser and Elizabeth his wife, hath hereunto set their hands & seals the day and date above written.

Signed, Sealed, and	)	John	X	Hiser
delivered	)	Elizabeth	X	Hiser
in presence of	)			

At a Court held for Franklin County, September 2d 1805.

This Indenture of bargain and Sale between John Hiser & Elizabeth his wife of the one part, and Joseph Wright and Solomon Wright of the other part, was acknowledged by the said John Hiser and Elizabeth his wife, the said Elizabeth being first privily examined according to Law, voluntarily, relinquished her right of dower in and to the Land and premisses conveyed by the said Indenture, which is ordered to be recorded.

Teste,
James Callaway C. FC"

The 1806 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright Jur with the following property:

date of B under Receiving Lists	Persons Names Owning Property	White tithes	B: Over 16	16 & over 12
Ap 7	Joseph Wright Jur	1	-	-

Horses	Studs	Rate per Season	Merchant License	Tax
1	-	-	-	- 12

The 1806 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph & Solaman Wright with the following property:

Persons Names That Own Land	No. of Acres Land	Amt of One Acre D C	Total Amount of Valuation D C	Tax D C
Joseph & Solaman Wright frm John Hiser	230	0.34	78.22	0.37

This record reflects the purchase of 230 acres of land by Franklin County Deed 5/127.

The 1807 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph & Solaman Wright with the following property:

Persons Names That Own Land	No. of Acres	Amt of One Acre	Total Amount of Valuation	Tax
Joseph & Solaman Wright	230	0.34	78.28½	0.37

The marriage bond of Joseph Wright and Cynthe Belcher was dated on July 18, 1808, at Franklin County, Virginia, with Woodson Bagley as surety:

> "Know all men by these Presents that we Joseph Wright and Woodson Bagley are held and firmly bound unto his Excellency William H Cabell Esquire Governor or chief magistrate of the Com:Wealth of Virginia in the sum of one hundred and fifty Dollars to the Payment of which well and truly to be made to the said Governor & his Successors for the use of the said Com:Wealth We bind ourselves and each of us our and each of our heirs Executors and administrators jointly and severally firmly by these Presents sealed with our seals & dated the 18th day of July 1808

The Condition of the above obligation is such that Whereas there is marriage shortly intended to be had & Solemnized between the above bound Joseph Wright and Cynthe Belcher

Now if there shall be no Lawful cause to obstruct the said marriage then the above obligation to be void or else to remain in full force.

Witness
C Tate C

Joseph Wright
Woodson Bagley"

The 1809 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright J with the following property:

date of Rec Lists	Persons Names that own Property	Whites	B over 16	Blacks over 12
	Joseph Wright J	1	-	-

Horses	___	___	____	Tax
2	-	-	-	- 21

The designation "J" was probably for "junior" and would identify this Joseph Wright as 1829 Joseph F. Wright.

The 1809 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph & Soloman Wright with the following property:

Persons Names That Own Land	Amount of Acres	Amt of One Acre	Total Amount Of Valuation	Tax
Joseph & Soloman Wright	230	0.34	78.282	0.37

The 1810 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright Jr with the following property:

____	Persons Names that own Property	Whites	Black over 16	B over 12 & under 16
	Joseph Wright Jr	1	-	-

Horses	___	___	____	Tax
2	-	-	-	- 24

The 1810 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph & Solaman Wright with the following property:

Persons Names That Own Land	Amount of Land	Amot of One Acre	Amount Of Vallueation	Tax
Joseph & Solaman Wright	230	0.34	78.28	0.37

The 1810 Census for Franklin County, Virginia, listed two Joseph Wrights, one of whom was Joseph Wright, Sr., and the other of whom had the following household:

Name of Head of Family	Free White Males	Age	Free White Female	Age	All Other Free Persons	Slaves
Joseph Wright	2	26-45	1	16-26		
		1	0-10			

This record indicates that Joseph Wright was born between 1765 and 1784 and that Cynthia (Belcher) Wright was born between 1784 and 1794.

The 1811 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Date of Receivg Lists	Persons Names that Own Property	White tithes	Blacks over 16 years	Blacks over 12 & under 16 years
March 4	Joseph Wright	1	-	-

Horses	___	___	____	Tax D C
1	-	-	-	- 12

The 1811 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph & Solomon Wright with the following property:

Persons Names That Own Land	No. of Acres	Amount of One Acre	Total Amount Of Valluation	Tax
Joseph & Solomon Wright	230	0.34	78.28	0.37

The 1812 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright J with the following property:

____	Persons Names that own property	White tithes	Blacks over 16 years	Blacks under 16 & over 12
	Joseph Wright J	1	-	-

Horses	___	___	____	Tax
1	-	-	-	- 12

The 1812 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph & Solon Wright with the following property:

Persons Names That Own Land	No. of Acres	A Description and Situation tion of Each Tract of Land	Amount of One Acre	Total Amount Of Valuation	Tax
Joseph & Solon Wright	230	on Gills Creek	0.34	78.28	0.37

The 1813 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright Ju with the following property:

_____	Persons Names that own property	White tithes	Blacks over 16	Blacks over 12 & under 16
	Joseph Wright Ju	1	-	-

Horses	___	___	____	Tax
2	-	-	-	- 32

The 1813 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph & Solomon Wright with the following property:

Persons Names That Own Land	No. of Acres	Description & Situation of Each Tract	Amount of One Acre	Total Amount Of Valluation	Tax
Joseph & Solomon Wright	230	G Creek	0.34	78.28	0.40

The 1814 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright Jur with the following property:

____	Persons names that own property	White tithes	Blacks over 16	Blacks 12 & under 16
	Joseph Wright Jur	1	1	-

Horses	Griss Merchant Mills	Rent	Saw Mills	Rent	Forges	Valuation
4	-	-	-	-	-	-

Cariages	Valu-ation	Stud Horses	Rate per Season	___	Valuation	___
-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Valu-ation	Free negroes & Mulatoes	Merchant License	___	___
-	-	-	-	- 84

The 1814 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph & Soloman Wright with the following property:

Name Of Owner	Residence	Estate	Number of Town Lots	Name of the Town
Joseph & Soloman Wright	in Franklin	fee Simple		

Yearly Rent of Lots	Amount of Tax on Lots	No of Acres of Lots	Description of Land
		230	Gills Creek

Distance & Baring from the Court House	Rate of Land per PAcre	Total Valuation of Land	Amount of Tax on Land	Total Amount of Tax on Land and Lots	Explanation of Alterations During the Preceding Year
15N	.34	78.28	.66	.66	

The 1815 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright Jr with the following property:

Dates of Receiving lists from individuals	Persons Names Charged with the Tax	No of white males above 16 years old
	Joseph Wright Jr	1

Slaves			Horses	Stud Horses		no of
over 9 and und 12 years old	over 12 years old	above 16 years old	Mules mares & Colts	No	Rate of Covering mares	head of Cattle
			4			5

Carrages					
2 wheel riding Carrages	Pheatons & Stage Waggons	Publick Stages	all other 4 Wheel Carrag	Mills	Tole bridges & Ferrys

Tax Yeards	Free Male negros above 16 & under 45 years old	Watches: Silver	Watches: Single Case Gold	Watches: Double Case Gold	Livery Stables	Houses in the Cuntry

Ice House for private use	from Which Ice is Sold	Clocks: Works of Wood W out Case	Clocks: Works of Wood With Case	Clocks: Works of Metal	Clocks: of Vallu between 50 & 100	Clocks: over $100

Coal Pitts	Printers	Furniture: Bureau & Bed Steds of Mahogany	Furniture: Picturs & Glasses	Furniture: Bureau & Book Cases	Furniture: Total Pitchers and Decanters	Amount of Tax D C
						.99

The 1815 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph & Solo Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owner	Residence	Estate	No of Acres of Land	Description of Land
Joseph & Solo Wright	Franklin	fee Simple	230	Gills Creek

Distance an Baring from the Court House	Rate of Land Per Acre	Total Valluation of Land	Amount of Tax on Land	Explanation of Conveyances During the Preceding Year
18N	.34	78.28	.66	

The 1816 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph & Solomon Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owner	Residence	Estate	No of Acres	Description of Land
Joseph & Solomon Wright	Franklin	in fee	230	Gills Creek

Distance an Bearing from the Court House	Rate of Land Per Acre	Total Valluation of Land	Amount of Tax on Land	Explanation of Conveyances During the Preceding Year
18N	.34	78.28	._	

The 1817 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright Jr with the following property:

Date of Receiving lists from individs	Persons Names Chargeable With the Tax	No of white males above 16
Apl 7	Joseph Wright Jr	1

No of Slaves above 12 years old	No of head of Horses	Stud Horses No of	Stud Horses Rate per Season	2 wheel riding Carriages & harness Not Exceeding in Vallue $100	2 wheel riding Carriages & harness Exceeding in Vallue $100
-	4	-		-	-

Phaetons Slays Wagons & harness Not Exceeding in Vallue $200	Phaetons Slays Wagons & harness Exceeding in Vallue $200	Coaches & Harness Not Exceeding in Vallue $300	Coaches & Harness Exceeding in Vallue $300	Total Amount of Tax	Proof
-	-	-	-	.72	

The 1817 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph & Solomon Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owner	Residence	Estate	No of Acres	Description of Land
Joseph & Solomon Wright	Franklin	in fee	230	Gills Creek

Distance & Baring from the Court House	Rate of Land Per Acre	Total Value of Land	Amount of Tax on Land	
18N	.34	78.28	.58	

The 1818 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright J with the following property:

Date of Receiving Lists	Persons Names Chargeable With the Tax	No of white males above 16
March 10	Joseph Wright J	1

No Slaves over 16 yrs old	No Slaves over 12 & under 16 yrs old	Studs Rate No per of Season	2 wheel riding Carages Not exceeding in Vallu $100	Exceeding in Value $100
-	-	1 -	-	-

Phaetons & Stage Waggons not Exceeding in Vallue $200	Exceeding in Vallu $200	Total Amount of Tax	Proof
-	-	.18	

The 1819 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright Jr with the following property:

date of Receiving Lists from Individs	Persons Names Chargeable With the Tax	White Males 16 years of age	No of Slaves above 16 years of age
____ 1	Joseph Wright Jr	1	-

No of Slaves above 12 & under 16 years of age	No of Horses	Stude Horses: No of Studes	Stude Horses: Rate per Season	2 wheel Riding Carrages: Not exceeding in Vallue $100	2 wheel Riding Carrages: Exceeding in Vallue $100
-	1	-	-	-	-

Pheatns & Stage Wagons: Not Exceeding in Vallue $200	Pheatns & Stage Wagons: Exceeding in Vallue $200	Clocks: Not Exceeding in Vallue $300	Clocks: Exceeding in Vallue $300	Total Amount of Tax	Proof
-	-	-	-	.18	

The 1819 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph & Solomon Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate	No of Acres	Description of Land
Joseph & Solomon Wright	Franklin	in fee	230	Gills creek

Distance & Bearing from the Court House	Rate of Land Per Acre	Total Value of Land	Amount of Tax on Land	
18N	.34	78.28		

In October 1819 at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 8/509 Joseph Wright, Scynthia Wright, and Solomon Wright sold their 230 acres of land to Joab Early:

> "This Indenture made the __ day of October one Thousand eight hundred and nineteen between Joseph Wright and Scynthia his wife and Solomon Wright of Franklin County of the one part, and Joab Early of said County of the other part, Witnesseth that the said Jos. Wright and Scynthia his wife and Solomon Wright for and in consideration of the sum of one Thousand Dollars current money of Virginia to them in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath this day bargained and sold, and by these presents doth bargain and sell Alien enfeoff release, deliver and confirm unto said Joab Early his Heirs and assigns

forever, one Certain tract or parcel of Land, containing two hundred and thirty acres, more or less, lying and being in the County of Franklin on the head branches of Gills Creek and bounded as followeth, Begining at a White Oak, thence No 55 E 16 poles to a Chesnut tree No 51. E 27 poles crossing a branch to a Red Oak, No 45 W. 34 poles to pointers No. 44 E 74 poles to a Double Red Oak, No 4 E 28 poles to Stones line No 8 W 38 poles to a Gum and Hickory N 37 E 40 poles to a Red and Chesnut Oak No 87 E 32 poles to two Red Oaks, S 18, E 198 poles crossing two branches to Early's Hickory Grub, S 31 W 44 poles to a White Oak on a branch, thence down the same and X to a poplar S 25 W 10 poles Xing a branch to a White Oak, S 9 W 38 poles to a Chesnut Oak, S 49 W 28 poles to pointers N 53 W 108 poles to a Red Oak, N 18 W 84 poles to the Begining, together with all the appurtenances priviledges, reversion, and reversions, the remainder and remainders, and every part thereto belonging, or in any wise appertaining, to have, and to hold, the above granted, Land, and premisses, unto the said Joab Early, his heirs and assigns forever, we said Joseph Wright, and Scynthia his wife, and Solomon Wright, doth for ourselves, our Heirs and assigns covenant and agree to and with said Early and his heirs and assigns that we the aforesaid Jos Wright and Scynthia his wife and Solomon Wright our Heirs &c, the above granted Land & premisses in an undefeasable fee simple estate, unto sd Joab Early his heirs and assigns from the claim or demand of all and every person or persons, whatsoever shall and will by these presents, warrant and forever defend, in Witness whereof the said Jos. and Scynthia his wife and Solomon Wright hath hereunto set their hands and seals this day and date above written

In the presence of

Joseph Wright

Cinthia her X mark Wright

Solomon Wright

At a Court held for Franklin County October 4th 1819

This Indenture of Bargain and sale between Joseph Wright and Cynthia his wife, and Solomon Wright, of the one part, and Joab Early of the other part, was acknowledged by the said Joseph Wright and Solomon Wright, And at a Court held for the said County November 1st 1819, the said Indenture was acknowledged by Cynthia Wright the wife of Joseph Wright, who being first privily examined as the law directs Voluntarily relinquished her right of dower in and to the Land and premisses conveyed by this Indenture and the same was ordered to be recorded

Teste,
Caleb Tate, C.F.C."

The identification of Joseph Wright's wife as Scynthia or Cinthia confirms his identification as 1829 Joseph F. Wright of Missouri.

As will be set forth below, Joseph F. Wright and his family moved in the fall of 1820 to St. Louis, Missouri.

On October 31, 1828, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 Joseph Wright executed a promissory note payable to Eliza Henly for the sum of $36.81-1/4:

> "Twelve months after Date we or either of us promise to pay to Eliza Henly or order Thirty six Dollars Eighty one and 1/4 cents for Value received as witness our hands and seals this 31st Day of October 1828
>
> Joseph Wright
> R. Claytor
>
> Allowed in open court thirty six dollars, eighty one and a fourth cents placed in the fifth class February 15th 1830
>
> Henry Chouteau Clerk
>
> Paid the with in 24th February 1830"

On May 27, 1829, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 cynthia Wright, Booker Richardson, and David Briggs executed their surety bond for the appointment of Cyntha Wright as administratrix of the estate of Joseph Wright:

> "Know all men by these presents, That I Cynthia Wright as principal, and we Booker Richardson and David Briggs as securities, are held and firmly bound unto the State of Missouri, in the full and just sum of one thousand eight hundred dollars, to the payment whereof well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents, sealed with our seal and dated St. ____ May 1829.
>
> The Condition of the Above Obligation Is such, That if the above bounden Cynthia Wright Administratrix of all and singular the goods and chattels, rights and credits, which were of Joseph Wright deceased, do make, or cause to be made, a true and perfect inventory of all and singular the goods, chattels, lands, tenements, rights and credits, of the said deceased, which have come to the hands or possession or knowledge of her the said Cynthia Wright, or into the hands or possession of any other persons for her, and the same, so made, do return and exhibit in the office of the clerk of the county Court for the county of St. Louis, within such times, and in such manner as is, or may be prescribed by law; and all and singular the moneys, goods, chattels, lands and tenements,

rights and credits, of the said deceased, accruing from, or arising out of his estate, which shall come to the hands, possession or knowledge of the said Cynthia Wright shall well and truly administer according to law, and pay the debts of the said deceased as far as his assets will extend and the law direct; and further, make, or cause to be made, just and true accounts of her said administration, and make due and proper settlements thereof, from time to time, according to law, or the order, sentence or decree of any court having competent jurisdiction; and shall, moreover, well and truly do and perform all other matters and things, touching the said administration, as are, or shall be provided by law, or enjoined on her by the order, sentence, or decree of any court having competent jurisdiction; then this obligation to be void, and of no effect, otherwise to remain in full force and effect

____ Wright
____ Richa__
David Briggs

Recorded 27th May 1829

Henry Chouteau Clerk

This day personally appeared before me, the undersigned, clerk of the County Court, for the county of St. Louis, the undersigned Cynthia Wright who, being by me duly sworn, upon her oath saith that to the best of her knowledge there are nine heirs of Joseph Wright deceased now in being to wit, Malinda Briggs, Tiery T. Wright, Leatetia Wright, Elizabeth Green Wright, James Anthony Wright, Wilie S. Wright, Virginia P. Wright, William P. Wright & Julia Ann Wright, residing is S Louis County and that to the best of her knowledge, that the said deceased died without a will, as far as She knows and believes; and that she will well and truly administer all and singular the goods and chattels, lands and tenements, rights and credits, of the said deceased, and pay his debts, as far as the assets which may come to her hands will extend, and the law direct; and that she will make a true and perfect inventory of all the goods and chattels, rights and credits, of the said deceased, and account f____ pay over, accor____ shall come to __ hands ____

Henry Chouteau Cynthia X mark" Wright

This record indicates that the family of Joseph F. Wright included the following:

Children:
1) Malinda Briggs,
2) Tiery T. Wright,
3) Leatetia Wright,

4) Elizabeth Green Wright,

5) James Anthony Wright,

6) Wilie S. Wright,

7) Virginia P. Wright,

8) William P. Wright, and

9) Julia Ann Wright.

On May 30, 1829, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 an inventory and appraisement of the estate of Joseph Wright was filed:

"An Inventory of the personal Estate of Joseph Wright deceased, taken the 30th May 1829.

1 White & black steer 5 years old
1 Red & White ditto "
1 Black & White ditto 4 Years
1 Black ditto ditto
1 black & White ditto
1 black Steer
1 red & White ditto
1 Striped Cow & her Yearling (White)
1 Black & White Cow with a young Calf
1 pided Cow
1 Red Cow & Calf
1 Brindle Cow & her Yearling
1 Red Cow & Calf
1 pied Cow & Calf
1 pided Cow with Calf
1 black & White Cow (dry)
1 two Year Heifer Speckled
4 Yearlings
10 head of Sheep
1 lot of Beef Cattle to Wit
1 White & black
1 red & White
1 red
1 Brindle & White
1 Speckled
1 black & White
Continued
1 Sow & 6 pigs
9 Hogs

8 Stock Hogs
1 brown Horse
1 Sorrel Mare
1 Bay Horse (Hector)
1 Bay Horse (Bird)
1 black Mare
1 Wagon tar bucket, & bills (3 Setts) & Cover
1 pair of Stretchers
1 fifth Chain
1 Geer for a fifth Horse
1 pair of hind Geer
1 Sett without harnes or lines
1 Waggon Saddle
2 beef hides & bearskin
1 Dearbourne (one horse) with Harness
4 bee hives
1 Cary plough
2 Shovel ploughs
1 hoe harrow Single tree &c
1 Harrow & Coulter
1 Scythe, Cradle & Whetstone
frow. Square, punches & Saw
1 Broad Axe foot adze, 2 Augers & hatchet
2 Axes & 1 Garden Rake
1 box of old Iron
1 Spade & Mattock
Continued
3 hoes & fork (tiller)
1 log Chain
1 pair dog Irons
1 pair Steelyards
a Colt of Zebs, Buckets & a half bushel
a lot of old Barrels
a lot of Castings
a lot Consisting of 1 Sifter bread tray Coffee Mill,
Churn & Strainer
one lott of Glass Ware 2 decanters, 2 Goblets & 2
tumblers 2 Waiters & Crockery ware
a lott of Milk Vessels Consisting of Crock, pans & Churn
a lott of Knives forks, tin bucket Coffee pots & other
articles & a Small piece of upper Leather
1 pine Cupboard
1 old trunk Sheep Shears & Combs
a lott of 30 Geese

1 Dining Table
1 breakfast ditto
6 Winsor Chairs & 1 Split bottom
1 Small Work table
a field of Oats
1 Hay Stack
Cash on hand 194.00
McCutchin Note 30.00
J Richardson act 28.00
M Duglas do 5.00
11 Sides of leather in tan yard and 1 Side Kib leather
also in tan yard

State of Missouri)
County of St Louis)

I Cynthia Wright being duly sworn upon her oath deposeth and saith that the within is a full inventory and description of all the goods, chattels moneys and effects, real and personal, books papers and evidences of debt, and of title of the estate of Joseph Wright deceased and of the debts appearing to be due or becomeing due to him as far as she can ascertain them, the wearing apparel of the deceased and of the widow and children only excepted, and that she was not indebted or bound in any contract to the said deceased at the time of his death, in any manner or sum other than as set forth in the within inventory -

Cynthia her X mark Wright Admx.

Sworn to and Subscribed before me this 23d July 1829 -

Henry Chouteau Clerk"

On October 3, 1829, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 an account of the sales in the estate of Joseph Wright was filed:

"An account of Sales of the Estate of
Joseph Wright decd on Saturday the 3 day of October 1829

Cynthia Wright		1 Lot Cupboard furniture	2.00
do	do	2 Jars	.50
do	do	1 Cupboard	3.50
do	do	1 pr Shears 2 levars 1 Trunk	.50
do	do	6 Chairs (windsor) & 1 wood Chair	4.20

do	do	1 Table & Tea Board	.75
do	do	1 do	1.50
do	do	1 Lot kitchen furniture	3.00
do	do	2 Churn 3 jars 1 Lot dairy ware	2.50
do	do	1 Patent Coffee Mill	.7_
do	do	1 Lot Wooden Ware	2.00
do	do	1 " Barrels	.50
do	do	1 Shovel plough	.50
"	"	1 " "	.50
"	"	1 " harrow	1.00
"	"	1 lot Carpenters tools	1.50
+ "	"	Spade garden hoe rake Mattock & fork	2.00
+ John Young		2 hoes & broadaxe	1.00
+ Cynthia Wright		Log Chain	1.00
+ Samuel Judson		1 Box Irons	1.00
+ Cynthia Wright		2 axes (felling)	1.00
+ John Young		1 Scythe & Cradle	.50
+ Cynthia Wright		1 Carey Plough	5.00
+ do	do	1 harrow & coulter	2.00
+ "	"	27 Old Gee__	4.50
+ "	"	6 Sheep	7.50
+ Briggs		1 Black Spotted Steer	9.50
+ Cyn. Wright		1 Red and White Spotted	8.50
+ John Young		1 Black " do	10.50
+ Jos. Hebert		1 do Steer	11.2_
+ John Young		1 do & white	11.50
+ Johnathan Smith		1 do Swell'd mouth Steer	9.00
+ "	"	1 Red & White Steer	8.00
+ Cynthia Wright		1 pied Cow & White Yearling	6.00
+ Saml Mason		1 Black & white Cow & young calf	9.00

. . . ."

On August 5, 1830, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 an accounting for the estate of Joseph Wright was filed:

"Dr. Admtx of Joseph Wright in A/C with Estate

To amount sales	323.62½
To articles taken by widow at appraisment	150.25
To proceeds of sales of 6 steers sold at private sale	100.00
To 2 beef hides & a bear skin taken at appraisement	3.50
To cash on hand at time of the intestate's death	194.00
To excess of goods taken by widow over & above her $150	0.25

Amt debts inventoried		63.00
Eleven sides of leather at the tan yard & one side kid leather		____
1830		
Augt 5		$834.62½
Bal fwd estate as per contra		$500.

Notes

11 sides of leather at the tan yard & one side kid leather to be accounted for

		Cr
1	By tax recpt 1829	1.90
2.	Spalding's recpt	5.00
3.	Charles & Paschall (admst sale)	2.00
4.	Do Do (admst. admtra)	2.00
5.	George Reid recpt	2.12½
6.	widows recpt	150.25
7.	W. P. Baxter's recpt	36.81
8.	Loss of sheep	6.00
9.	Paid Clerk Couteau	1.00
10	Paid John Richardson	2.00
	allowed for the maintenance of minor children	125.54
	Balance in admtrx's hands this day	500.00
		$834.62½"

On August 5, 1830, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 an accounting of the property taken by Cynthia Wright as her widow's share of the estate was filed:

"Personal Property taken out of the Estate of Joseph Wright deceased by Widow.

1 Brown Horse	$ 50.00
1 Black Mare	18.00
1 Sorrel Mare	30.00
9 Hogs	18.00
1 Dearbourne for one horse	20.00
1 Dining table	6.00
1 pair Andirons	1.00
2 Geese	.50
1 Lot of Castings	3.00
4 Bee hives	3.00
1 pr Small Steelyards	.75
	$150.25

Recd from the Estate of Joseph Wright the above articles as widow of the said Joseph deceased, Aug. 5, 1830

Witness Cynthia X Wright
J. Spalding"

On August 14, 1832, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 Tiery Wright, John Young, and James Wilgus executed their surety bond for the appointment of Tiery Wright as administrator de bonis non of the estate of Joseph Wright:

"Know All Men By These Presents, That I, Tiery Wright as principal, and we John Young and and James Wilgus as securities, are held and firmly bound unto the State of Missouri, in the full and just sum of one thousand eight hundred dollars, to the payment whereof well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents, sealed with our seals, and dated, St. Louis, this fourteenth day of August 1832.

The Condition Of The Above Obligation Is Such, That if the above bounden Tiery Wright Administrator de bonis non of all and singular the goods and chattels, rights and credits, which were of Joseph Wright deceased, do make, or cause to be made, a true and perfect inventory of all and singular the goods, chattels, lands, tenements, rights and credits, of the said deceased, which have come to the hands, possession or knowledge of him the said Tiery Wright, or into the hands or possession of any persons for him, and the same, so made, do return and exhibit in the office of the clerk of the County Court for the county of St. Louis, within such times, and in such manner as is, or may be prescribed by law; and all and singular the moneys, goods, and chattels, lands and tenements, rights and credits, of the said deceased, accruing from, or arising out of his estate, which shall come to the hands, possession or knowledge of the said Tiery Wright shall well and truly administer according to law, and pay the debts of the said deceased as far as his assets will extend and the law direct; and, further, make, or cause to be made, just and true accounts of his said administration, and make due and proper settlements thereof, from time to time, according to law, or the order, sentence or decree of any court having competent jurisdiction: and shall, moreover, well and truly do and perform all other matters and things, touching the said administration, as are, or shall be provided by law, or enjoined on him by the order, sentence, or decree of any court having competent jurisdiction; then this obligation to be void, and of no effect, otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

Tiery Wright
John Young
James Wilgus

Recorded 14th August 1832,

Henry Chouteau Clerk

This day personally appeared before me, the Clerk of the County Court, for the county of St. Louis, the undersigned, Tiery Wright who, being by me duly sworn, upon his oath saith that to the best of his knowledge there are heirs of Joseph Wright deceased now in being, to wit; Malinda Briggs, Tiery T Wright, Leatetia Wright, Elizabeth Green Wright, James A Wright, Wylie S. Wright Virginia P Wright, William P Wright and Julia Ann Wright, residing in St Louis County and that to the best of his knowledge, that the said deceased died without a will, as far as he knows and believes; and that he will well and truly administer all and singular the goods and chattels, lands and tenements, rights and credits, of the said deceased, and pay his debts, as far as the assets which may come to his hands will extend, and the law direct; and that he will make a true and perfect inventory of all the goods and chattels, rights and credits, of the said deceased, and account for and pay over, according to law, all assets which shall come to his hands, possession or knowledge.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this fourteenth day of August 1832

Henry Chouteau Tiery Wright
Clerk"

This records suggests that Cynthia Wright had died before August 14, 1832.

In November 1833 at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 Tiery Wright filed a statement that he had not collected any of the assets of the estate of Joseph Wright:

"Tiery T. Wright Admr. de bonis non of Joseph Wright deceased States to the Honorable the County Court of St Louis County that no assets of the deceased have come to his hands & that he has disbursed nothing on account of the Estate of Said deceased. He prays that this Statement may be taken as his annual Settlement which he is required to make by law and that he may be discharged from process unless it be on the application of some person interested

Nov. Term, 1833. Tiery T. Wright"

On March 5, 1835, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 the court issued a summons against Tiery Wright to file his accounting for the estate of Joseph Wright:

"County of St. Louis, SS.
State of Missouri,

To the Sheriff of St. Louis County - Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to notify Tiery Wright Administrator de bonis non of Joseph Wright deceased, that he be and appear before the Justices of our County Court, at the next term thereof, to be held at the city of St. Louis, within and for the county of St. Louis, on the eleventh day of May next, then and there to exhibit his accounts, for settlement, as Administrator as aforesaid, and to shew cause why an attachment should not issue against him for not exhibiting his accounts according to law; and have you then and there this writ.

Witness, Henry Chouteau, Clerk of our said Court, at office, this fifth day of March 1835.

Henry Chouteau Clerk."

On May 1, 1835, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 Tiery Wright filed his accounting for the estate of Joseph Wright:

"Estate of Joseph Wright deceased Dr to Tiery T. Wright his Admr

For Amount paid Henry Chouteau clerk's fees		No 1	$1.00
" " "	do do	2	1.22
" " "	Charles & Paschall printing	3	2.00
B__ due Admr May 1, 1835			$4.22

On November 23, 1835, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 the court issued another summons against Tiery Wright to file his accounting for the estate of Joseph Wright:

"County of St. Louis, SS.
State of Missouri,

To the Sheriff of St. Louis County - Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to notify Tiery Wright Administrator de bonis non of Joseph Wright deceased, that he be and appear before the Justices of our County Court, at the next term thereof, to be held at the city of St. Louis, within and for the county of St. Louis, on the eighth day of February next, then and there to exhibit his accounts, for settlement, as Administrator as aforesaid, and to shew cause why an attachment should not issue against him for not exhibiting his accounts according to law; and have you then and there this writ.

Witness, Henry Chouteau, Clerk of our said Court, at office, this 23d day of November 1835.

Henry Chouteau Clerk"

On February 8, 1836, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 Tiery Wright filed a statement that he had not collected any of the assets of the estate of Joseph Wright:

"Tiery T. Wright admr of Joseph Wright deceased for his annual Settlement states to the Court that he has receved nothing and expended nothing in behalf of the Estate of said deceased - Feb. Term 1836 - Feb. 8, 1836

Teiry Wright"

The will of 1849 Thomas Wright dated October 20, 1843, and probated on August 6, 1849, at Franklin County, Virginia, W.B. 7/79 listed Joseph Wright deceased as one of his children:

. . . . Item 3rd I give unto my grand children the heirs of Joseph Wright deceased six hundred dollars to be equally divided amongst them or the survivors or their heirs that is 1/7 to the heirs of Malinda Breggs 1/7 to Tyree Wright. 1/7 to Latitia Gerard 1/7 to James A Wright 1/7 to Wiley S. Wright 1/7 to Virginia P. Wright & 1/7 to Julia A. Wright or their heirs forever . . . ."

On December 9, 1850, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 21/473 the heirs of Joseph Wright appointed Solomon Wright their attorney in fact to deal with the estate of 1849 Thomas Wright:

"Know all men by these presents that whereas Thomas Wright the Elder late of of the County of Franklin and State of Virginia deceased by his his last Will and Testament did give and bequeath unto his Grand children the heirs of Joseph Wright deceased, the sum of six hundred dollars to be equally divided among them, or the survivors of them or their heirs that is to say, the sum of six hundred dollars to be divided as follows, to wit: 1/7 to the heirs of Melinda Briggs 1/7 to Tyree Wright 1/7 to Letitia Gerard 1/7 to James A. Wright 1/7 to Wiley S. Wright 1/7 to Virginia P. Wright 1/7 to Julia A. Wright or their heirs forever, to be paid unto them by the Executor of the said Thomas Wright the Elder deceased of which last Will and Testament, Robert P. Wright is the Executor as in and by said Will and Testament may appear. And whereas the Judge of the St Louis Probate Court has appointed Curators for the Estates of Cynthia Briggs, Mary Jane Briggs and Eliza Briggs, who are the sole heirs of the said Malinda Briggs deceased, that is to say has appointed James A. Wright Curator of the Estate of

the said Cynthia Briggs and John Napp Curator of the Estates of the said Mary Jane and Eliza Briggs, as will appear by the certificates of the Judge and Clerk of said Court (in due form of law) under seal of said Court, hereto annexed. And whereas Virginia P. and Julia A. Wright are both lawfully married - Virginia P. to John Knapp and Julia A. to William Mount as will appear by the copies from the Book of Marriages in the recorders office of St Louis County, hereto annexed, certified by the said recorder under his seal. Now Know Ye that we the said James A Wright, Wiley S. Wright, Letitia Gerard, John Knapp and Virginia P. his wife, Julia A. wife of said William Mount & Cynthia Briggs, by her curator James A. Wright and Mary Jane and Eliza Briggs, by their curator John Knapp, Have made Ordained constituted and appointed, Solomon Wright of the County of ____ and State of Virginia, our true and lawful attorney, for us, and in our names, and for our use and benefit, to ask, demand, and receive of and from the said Robert P. Wright Executor the legacies given and bequeathed unto us by the said Will of the said Thomas Wright the elder, as aforesaid, and upon receipt thereof by or payment thereof to, and said Attorney, a general release or discharge for the same to make, Execute, and deliver, hereby ratifying, confirming and allowing whatsoever our said Attorney shall lawfully do in the premises. In Witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and seals this Ninth day of December A. D. 1850 at the City of St Louis and State of Missouri.

James A. Wright
Wiley S. Wright
Letitia Gerarde
Julia A. Mount
John Knapp
Virginia P. Knapp
John Knapp
Curator of Mary Jane & Eliza Briggs
James A. Wright
Curator of Cynthia Ann Briggs

State of Missouri)
County of Saint Louis) SS.

I John H. Watson a Commissioner appointed by the Governor of the State of Virginia, for the State of Missouri certify that James A. Wright, Wiley S. Wright, Letitia Gerarde Julia A Mount and John Knapp, whose names are signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the Ninth day of December Eighteen hundred and fifty, have acknowledged the same before me in my State of Missouri aforesaid on this 9' day of December A. D. 1850. And I further certify that John Knapp as Curator of Mary Jane and Elisa Briggs whose name is signed as such to the said annexed writing, acknowledged the same as said Curator, at the same time, before me; and I further certify that James A. Wright,

as Curator of Cynthia Ann Briggs, whose name is signed as such to the said annexed writing, acknowledged the same as said Curator, at the same time, before me. Given under my hand this ninth day of December A. D. 1850

Jno. H. Watson
Commissioner of Virginia
for the State of Missouri

State of Missouri)
County of Saint Louis) SS.

I Jno. H. Watson, a Commissioner appointed by the Governor of the State of Virginia, for the State of Missouri do hereby certify that Virginia P. Knapp, the wife of John Knapp, whose names are signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the ninth day of December A. D. Eighteen hundred and fifty, personally appeared before me in the County aforesaid, on the Ninth day of December A. D. 1850 and being examined by me privily and apart from her husband and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Virginia P. Knapp, acknowledged the said writing to be her act and declared that she had willingly executed the same and does not wish to retract it. Given under my hand this ninth day of December A. D. 1850

Jno. H. Watson
Commissioner of Virginia
for the State of Missouri

State of Missouri)
County of St. Louis) SS.

I, John H. Watson, a Commissioner appointed by the Governor of the State of Virginia, for the State of Missouri, do hereby certify that Julia A. Mount (the wife of William Mount) whose name is subscribed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the ninth day of December A. D. 1850, personally appeared before me in the County aforesaid, on the ninth day of December A. D. 1850 and being examined by me privily and apart from her husband and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Julia A. Mount, acknowledged the said writing to be her act and declared that she had willingly executed the same, and does not wish to retract it. Given under my hand this ninth day of December A. D. 1850

Jno. H. Watson
Commissioner of Virginia for the State of Missouri

State of Missouri)
County of Saint Louis) SS.

At a Term of the Probate Court begun and held at the City of Saint Louis within and for the County of Saint Louis, in the State of Missouri on the first Monday in March being the sixth day of said month in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and forty eight, were present, Peter Ferguson Judge of said Court William S. McKnight Esquire Marshall of the County of Saint Louis. Court adjourned from day to day until Saturday 25" March 1848.

Saturday 25" March 1848. Court met pursuant to adjournment.
Present - Same Judge

John Knapp Curator)
of Mary Jane Briggs) Curator Chosen.

Mary Jane Briggs appears and says that she is aged sixteen years and moves to be allowed to make choice of a curator which she is permitted to do whereupon she chooses John Knapp who is approved of and appointed Curator of the estate of said Minor, and the Court order that he enter into bond in the sum of Seven hundred dollars with sufficient security and conditioned according to law wherefore he accepts such Curatorship and offers Wyley S. Wright as his security who is approved of by the Court and the bond required executed and filed.

John Knapp Curator)
of Eliza M. Briggs) Curator Chosen.

Eliza M. Briggs appears and says that she is aged fourteen years and moves to be allowed to make choice of a Curator, which she is permitted to do on which she chooses John Knapp who is approved of and appointed Curator of the Estate of said Minor and the Court order . . . ."

In Franklin County, Virginia, Deed 22/302 dated September 11, 1852, one group of the grantors was described as the "heirs of Joseph Wright".

In his letter dated October 26, 1981, Mr. James Wright Robinson enclosed family group sheets which stated that Joseph F. Wright was born on January 22, 1781, married Cynthia Belcher on July 18, 1808, at Franklin County, Virginia, and died on May 8, 1829, at Missouri, and that Cynthia (Belcher) Wright died in August 1831.

The identification is confirmed by an obituary of Wiley S. Wright dated 1873 and copied by Thomas F. Nugent in December 1966, but without identifying the source,

although it was probably from a St. Louis newspaper. 1849 Thomas Wright's will listed seven children of his son Joseph Wright: Malinda Breggs, Tyree Wright, Latitia Gerard, James A. Wright, Wiley S. Wright, Virginia P. Wright, and Julia A. Wright. The 1873 obituary identified this same family as children of Joseph Wright and Cynthia A. Wright:

> "Mr. Wiley S. Wright, the subject of this sketch, was the son of Joseph and Cynthia A. Wright who emigrated from Virginia to this county, where he was born July 13, 1821. Left an orphan at an early age and having to depend solely on his own exertions he apprenticed himself to learn the "tinning" trade which business he followed until March 1849, when he associated himself with Mr. Charles H. Buck, establishing the firm of Buck & Wright as stove dealers. Their trade steadily increasing they found it adviseable to manufacture in St. Louis and in 1857 erected the Eclipse Stove Works.
>
> The firm of Buck & Wright have for nearly a quarter of a century been noted throughout the land for strict integrity and honorable business dealing, and have by industry and enterprise accumulated considerable wealth becoming identified with the growth and prosperity of St. Louis. It was probably the oldest firm in the City that had experienced no change in members since its organization. I understand that throughout all these years no written contracts or agreements have ever existed between the partners their confidence in each other's honor being deemed fully sufficient, and it being thought adviseable in order to simplify the settleing of Mr. Wright's estate that he should transfer his interest to Mr. Buck, the parties met during his last illness came to an understanding and perfected all necessary arrangements in less than ten minutes. A transaction that exhibets the confidence and highly honorable sentiments existing between them.
>
> Mr. Wright was married in 1863 to a daughter of Captain Malin of the Laclede Hotel who with two children survies him. He has two sisters and two brothers still living, the widow of the late John B. Girard, Mrs. John Knapp and Mr. James A. Wright, of St. Louis, and Mr. Tiery T. Wright of Sacramento, California. St. Louis has lost a citizen and we have all lost a friend that cannot be replaced. Kind and affable, strictly upright in all his business and social relations he was respected and beloved by all who knew him and his loss will be felt and mourned by all who have had the pleasure of his acquaintance. His bereaved wife and family have the heartfelt sympathy of the community in their hour of affliction and may He who tempers the wind to the shorn lamb and numbers the hairs of our heads watch tenderly over those thus deprived of their earthly support and protector."

Mr. Robinson also provided copies of a biographical sketch of James A. Wright from a printed, but unidentified source, and an obituary of James A. Wright dated 1877

copied by Mr. Thomas Nugent, but with the source not identified. The biographical sketch provided as follows:

> "Wright, James Anthony, manufacturer, was born in Virginia, February 18, 1819, son of Joseph and Cynthia Wright. Of English origin, the Wright family came to the United States at an early date and the parents of James A. Wright removed from Virginia to Missouri in the year 1821. Coming to St. Louis, they settled on a farm adjoining the farm of Colonel Frederick Dent, the father-in-law of General U. S. Grant, and on this farm their son lived during the earlier years of his life. He was educated at St. Louis Universty and then served an apprenticeship to the business of carriage building with the old-time carriage manufacturing firm of Carter & Powers, who occupied a factory located at the corner of Broadway and Locust street, on the site of the present Mercantile Library Building. In 1845 he engaged in the manufacture of carriages on his own account, associating himself at that time with Wesley Fallon in the firm of Fallon & Wright, which established its factory at the corner of Second street and Washington Avenue. Their buildings at that location were destroyed by fire after a time and they re-opened a new factory at the corner of Broadway and St. Charles street. At that location Mr. Fallon and Mr. Wright continued to be associated together in business until the year 1861. Mr. Wright then withdrew from the firm and established a carriage factory of his own at the corner of Broadway and Morgan streets, where he continued to do business until his death, which occurred June 29, 1877, and resulted from injuries received by being thrown from a carriage in a runaway accident. The manufacturing business which he built up was not only one of large proportions, but one which made his name well known throughout the entire Western country by reason of the excellence of the products sent out from his factory and bearing his name. This business it still carried on by his sons under the name of the James A. Wright & Sons Carriage Company, the present location of their factory and salesrooms being at the corner of Washington Avenue and Nineteenth street. As a manufacturer and business man, Mr. Wright was widely known, but in this sense only was he a public man. While he was always a pronounced Democrat in political affiliation, he declined to take any active part in the conduct of political campaigns, to stand as a candidate for or to fill any public office. He had a marked fondness for music, and in early life was for some years a member of the choir of the Methodist church located at the corner of Fourth street and Washington Avenue and had something to do with church work in this connection, although he was not identified with any church organization as a member. The charitable work of church and other organizations, however, appealed to him strongly and found in him a warm friend and liberal donor. He married, in 1851, Miss Louisa H. Potter, who survives her husband. The father of Mrs. Wright was Colonel John C. Potter, who came to St. Louis from Boston during the war of 1812, and in the maternal line, she is descended from Emilien Yosti, who came to this country with the Spanish army of occupation, which took possession of the Province of Louisiana when France

ceded it to Spain. Yosti married Theodiste Durand, whose parents, John B. Durand and Josepha Marcheteau, where the tenth couple wedded in St. Louis.

Mr. Wright left three sons and one daughter of whom Joseph P., Frank L. and Cora F. - the last named being now wife of Charles W. Nugent are living; the other son, John B., died in September, 1896."

The James A. Wright obituary provided as follows:

"James A. Wright died on June 29, 1877 at an age of 59. His death was caused by an accident. He was one of the oldest carriage manufacturers of St. Louis, Mo.

Mr. James A Wright, whose death we notice above, was born near Lynchburg, Va., in Franklin County, on the 19th of February 1819. In the fall of 1820, when he was about 18 months of age, he, with his parents with household goods and all they possessed of worldly goods removed in one of the old fashioned traveling wagons to the then small but thriving village of St. Louis, where they settled on a farm in the suburbs and where his early years were spent. Having lost both his father and mother at the age of 14 he apprenticed himself to Mr. Samuel Mount at that time the leading carriage builder of St. Louis. His duties in the factory were various and after working in nearly all of the departments he finally settled down in the paint shop where he stayed until he finished his trade training. In those days, the boys boarded with their boss, and after their work was over in the shop they had to do the chores of the house, drive up the cows, split wood and etc. Mr. Mount retiring from the business Mr. Wright, at the age of 16, re-engaged by the new owner Mess'rs Carter & Power from New Haven, Conn., and remained with them until he finished his appreticeship, or rather, until he became of age making his apprecticeship seven years. After becoming a Journeyman, he worked for several years in the factories of St. Louis meeting with the successes and reverses that still assail the painter. During a dull season he went south to New Orleans and worked there one winter in Denmans (Carriage) Repository. From there he went to Nashville, Winchester and other towns of Tennessee. Abouth the last of the year 1846 he received a letter from Mr. Wesley Fallon asking him to return to St. Louis. He purchased the interest of Mr. George Bailey, at that time a partner of Mr. Fallons and on the first day of January, 1847, the new firm of Fallon and Wright was formed with their factory on Second Street between Washington Avenue and Vine Streets. After two years of fair success their place was burned out and as they had not a dollars worth of insurance they had to commence anew. This they did immediately in a small way by the assistance of friends and re-established themselves on 5th Street between Locust and St. Charles Streets at that time the most fashionable residence portion of the City. By constant attention to business their trade increased until the name of Fallon & Wright became widely known and of itself was a sufficient guarantee of the excellence

of any buggy or carriage that bore it. After an exsistance of exactly 15 years the firm of Fallon & Wright was dissolved, Mr. Wright retiring and remaining out of business for two years when he resumed at 809 & 811 North 5th Street, building up a trade and name of the firm being James A. Wright & Sons, under which name his sons will continue the business.

Mr. Wright met his death by being thrown from a buggy on the evening of June 28th, while trying a horse which his sons contemplated purchasing. He lingered unconsious until early on the morning of the 29th when he expired. He was missed by all who knew him and from his long residence in St. Louis and his extended business he was widely known. The following extract from an editorial in one of the St. Louis newspapers will suffice to show the high estimation in which he was held by his employees and his friends, for his strict integrity and honorable life. Mr. Wright was married Dec. 30, 1851, to Miss Louisa Hanna Potter, a decendant of some of the earliest settlers of St. Louis, who survives him. He also leaves, besides the two sons who were engaged in business with him, a son and daughter aged respectively 12 and 9 years."

It is clear from these records that Joseph F. Wright who married Cynthia Belcher was the son of 1849 Thomas Wright and that he moved from Franklin County, Virginia, to St. Louis, Missouri, in 1820 or 1821.

Mr. Robinson listed nine children of Joseph F. Wright and Cynthia (Belcher) Wright, two of whom died unmarried and without issue in 1834, prior to the date on which 1849 Thomas Wright wrote his will:

1) Malinda A. (Wright) Briggs,
2) Tiery T. Wright,
3) Latitia (Wright) Girard,
4) Elizabeth G. Wright,
5) James Anthony Wright,
6) Wiley S. Wright,
7) Virginia P. (Wright) Knapp,
8) William Parnell Wright, and
9) Julia A. Wright.

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below the children of 1829 Joseph Wright of Missouri and Cynthia (Belcher) Wright were the following:

1) Malinda A. (Wright) Briggs, born on June 15, 1809,

2) Tyree or Tiery Wright, born on July 19, 1811, at Franklin County, Virginia,

3) Latitia or Lactitia (Wright) Girard or Gerard, born on March 6, 1814, probably at Franklin County, Virginia,

4) Elizabeth Green Wright, born on October 21, 1816, at Franklin County, Virginia,

5) James Anthony Wright, born on February 18, 1819, near Lynchburg, Virginia, or at Franklin County, Virginia,

6) Wiley S. Wright, born on July 13, 1821, at St. Louis County, Missouri,

7) Virginia P. (Wright) Knapp, born on February 9, 1824,

8) William Parnell Wright, born on December 13, 1825, and

9) Julia Ann (Wright) Mount, born on January 5, 1828.

i. Malinda A. (Wright) Briggs, Her Husband David Briggs, And Her Descendants

Malinda A. (Wright) Briggs was a daughter of 1829 Joseph F. Wright of Missouri and Cynthia (Belcher) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1849 Thomas[3], 1829 Joseph F.[4])

On May 27, 1829, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 Cynthia Wright executed her declaration that Malinda Briggs was one of the nine heirs of Joseph Wright and that she then resided in St. Louis County, Missouri:

". . . .

> This day personally appeared before me, the undersigned, clerk of the County Court, for the county of St. Louis, the undersigned Cynthia Wright who, being by me duly sworn, upon her oath saith that to the best of her knowledge there are nine heirs of Joseph Wright deceased now in being to wit, Malinda Briggs, Tiery T. Wright, Leatetia Wright, Elizabeth Green Wright, James Anthony Wright, Wilie S. Wright, Virginia P. Wright, William P. Wright & Julia Ann Wright, residing is S Louis County . . . .
>
> Henry Chouteau Cynthia X mark" Wright

On August 14, 1832, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 Tiery Wright executed his declaration that Malinda Briggs was one of the nine heirs of Joseph Wright and that she then resided in St. Louis County, Missouri:

". . . .

This day personally appeared before me, the Clerk of the County Court, for the county of St. Louis, the undersigned, Tiery Wright who, being by me duly sworn, upon his oath saith that to the best of his knowledge there are heirs of Joseph Wright deceased now in being, to wit; Malinda Briggs, Tiery T Wright, Leatetia Wright, Elizabeth Green Wright, James A Wright, Wylie S. Wright Virginia P Wright, William P Wright and Julia Ann Wright, residing in St Louis County . . . .

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this fourteenth day of August 1832

Henry Chouteau Tiery Wright
Clerk"

The will of 1849 Thomas Wright dated October 20, 1843, and probated on August 6, 1849, at Franklin County, Virginia, W.B. 7/79 listed Malinda Breggs as one of Joseph Wright's children:

. . . . Item 3rd I give unto my grand children the heirs of Joseph Wright deceased six hundred dollars to be equally divided amongst them or the survivors or their heirs that is 1/7 to the heirs of Malinda Breggs . . . ."

This record indicates that Malinda A. Wright had married ____ Briggs and died before August 6, 1849.

On December 9, 1850, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 21/473 the heirs of Joseph Wright appointed Solomon Wright their attorney in fact to deal with the estate of 1849 Thomas Wright:

"Know all men by these presents that whereas Thomas Wright the Elder late of of the County of Franklin and State of Virginia deceased by his his last Will and Testament did give and bequeath unto his Grand children the heirs of Joseph Wright deceased, the sum of six hundred dollars to be equally divided among them, or the survivors of them or their heirs that is to say, the sum of six hundred dollars to be divided as follows, to wit: 1/7 to the heirs of Melinda Briggs 1/7 to Tyree Wright 1/7 to Letitia Gerard 1/7 to James A. Wright 1/7 to Wiley S. Wright 1/7 to Virginia P. Wright 1/7 to Julia A. Wright or their heirs forever, to be paid unto them by the Executor of the said Thomas Wright the Elder deceased of which last Will and Testament, Robert P. Wright is the Executor as in and by

said Will and Testament may appear. And whereas the Judge of the St Louis Probate Court has appointed Curators for the Estates of Cynthia Briggs, Mary Jane Briggs and Eliza Briggs, who are the sole heirs of the said Malinda Briggs deceased, that is to say has appointed James A. Wright Curator of the Estate of the said Cynthia Briggs and John Napp Curator of the Estates of the said Mary Jane and Eliza Briggs, as will appear by the certificates of the Judge and Clerk of said Court (in due form of law) under seal of said Court, hereto annexed. And whereas Virginia P. and Julia A. Wright are both lawfully married - Virginia P. to John Knapp and Julia A. to William Mount as will appear by the copies from the Book of Marriages in the recorders office of St Louis County, hereto annexed, certified by the said recorder under his seal. Now Know Ye that we the said James A Wright, Wiley S. Wright, Letitia Gerard, John Knapp and Virginia P. his wife, Julia A. wife of said William Mount & Cynthia Briggs, by her curator James A. Wright and Mary Jane and Eliza Briggs, by their curator John Knapp, Have made Ordained constituted and appointed, Solomon Wright of the County of ____ and State of Virginia, our true and lawful attorney, for us, and in our names, and for our use and benefit, to ask, demand, and receive of and from the said Robert P. Wright Executor the legacies given and bequeathed unto us by the said Will of the said Thomas Wright the elder, as aforesaid, and upon receipt thereof by or payment thereof to, and said Attorney, a general release or discharge for the same to make, Execute, and deliver, hereby ratifying, confirming and allowing whatsoever our said Attorney shall lawfully do in the premises. In Witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and seals this Ninth day of December A. D. 1850 at the City of St Louis and State of Missouri.

James A. Wright
Wiley S. Wright
Letitia Gerarde
Julia A. Mount
John Knapp
Virginia P. Knapp
John Knapp
Curator of Mary Jane & Eliza Briggs
James A. Wright
Curator of Cynthia Ann Briggs

State of Missouri)
County of Saint Louis) SS.

I John H. Watson a Commissioner appointed by the Governor of the State of Virginia, for the State of Missouri certify that James A. Wright, Wiley S. Wright, Letitia Gerarde Julia A Mount and John Knapp, whose names are signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the Ninth day of December Eighteen hundred and fifty, have acknowledged the same before me in my State of

Missouri aforesaid on this 9' day of December A. D. 1850. And I further certify that John Knapp as Curator of Mary Jane and Elisa Briggs whose name is signed as such to the said annexed writing, acknowledged the same as said Curator, at the same time, before me; and I further certify that James A. Wright, as Curator of Cynthia Ann Briggs, whose name is signed as such to the said annexed writing, acknowledged the same as said Curator, at the same time, before me. Given under my hand this ninth day of December A. D. 1850

Jno. H. Watson
Commissioner of Virginia
for the State of Missouri

. . . .

State of Missouri)
County of Saint Louis) SS.

At a Term of the Probate Court begun and held at the City of Saint Louis within and for the County of Saint Louis, in the State of Missouri on the first Monday in March being the sixth day of said month in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and forty eight, were present, Peter Ferguson Judge of said Court William S. McKnight Esquire Marshall of the County of Saint Louis. Court adjourned from day to day until Saturday 25" March 1848.

Saturday 25" March 1848. Court met pursuant to adjournment.
Present - Same Judge

John Knapp Curator)
of Mary Jane Briggs) Curator Chosen.

Mary Jane Briggs appears and says that she is aged sixteen years and moves to be allowed to make choice of a curator which she is permitted to do whereupon she chooses John Knapp who is approved of and appointed Curator of the estate of said Minor, and the Court order that he enter into bond in the sum of Seven hundred dollars with sufficient security and conditioned according to law wherefore he accepts such Curatorship and offers Wyley S. Wright as his security who is approved of by the Court and the bond required executed and filed.

John Knapp Curator)
of Eliza M. Briggs) Curator Chosen.

Eliza M. Briggs appears and says that she is aged fourteen years and moves to be allowed to make choice of a Curator, which she is permitted to do on which

she chooses John Knapp who is approved of and appointed Curator of the Estate of said Minor and the Court order . . . ."

In his letters dated October 29, 1981, and October 26, 1981, James W. Robinson enclosed family group sheets which stated that Malinda A. Wright was a daughter of 1829 Joseph F. Wright and Cynthia (Belcher) Wright, was born on June 15, 1809, married David Briggs on March 13, 1828, and died on April 17, 1836, and that Malinda A. (Wright) Briggs and David Briggs had a daughter Elizabeth M. Briggs.

ii. 1889 Tyree Or Tiery Wright

1889 Tyree Or Tiery Wright was a son of 1829 Joseph F. Wright of Missouri and Cynthia (Belcher) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1849 Thomas[3], 1829 Joseph F.[4])

On May 27, 1829, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 Cynthia Wright executed her declaration that Tiery T. Wright was one of the nine heirs of Joseph Wright and that she then resided in St. Louis County, Missouri:

". . . .

This day personally appeared before me, the undersigned, clerk of the County Court, for the county of St. Louis, the undersigned Cynthia Wright who, being by me duly sworn, upon her oath saith that to the best of her knowledge there are nine heirs of Joseph Wright deceased now in being to wit, Malinda Briggs, Tiery T. Wright, Leatetia Wright, Elizabeth Green Wright, James Anthony Wright, Wilie S. Wright, Virginia P. Wright, William P. Wright & Julia Ann Wright, residing is S Louis County . . . .

Henry Chouteau Cynthia X Wright mark"

On August 14, 1832, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 Tiery Wright executed his surety bond for his appointment as administrator de bonis non of the estate of Joseph Wright and his declaration that he was one of the nine heirs of Joseph Wright and that she then resided in St. Louis County, Missouri:

". . . .

This day personally appeared before me, the Clerk of the County Court, for the county of St. Louis, the undersigned, Tiery Wright who, being by me duly sworn,

upon his oath saith that to the best of his knowledge there are heirs of Joseph Wright deceased now in being, to wit; Malinda Briggs, Tiery T Wright, Leatetia Wright, Elizabeth Green Wright, James A Wright, Wylie S. Wright Virginia P Wright, William P Wright and Julia Ann Wright, residing in St Louis County . . . .

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this fourteenth day of August 1832

Henry Chouteau Tiery Wright
Clerk"

In November 1833 at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 Tiery Wright filed a statement that he had not collected any of the assets of the estate of Joseph Wright:

"Tiery T. Wright Admr. de bonis non of Joseph Wright deceased States to the Honorable the County Court of St Louis County that no assets of the deceased have come to his hands & that he has disbursed nothing on account of the Estate of Said deceased. He prays that this Statement may be taken as his annual Settlement which he is required to make by law and that he may be discharged from process unless it be on the application of some person interested

Nov. Term, 1833. Tiery T. Wright"

On March 5, 1835, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 the court issued a summons against Tiery Wright to file his accounting for the estate of Joseph Wright:

"County of St. Louis, SS.
State of Missouri,

To the Sheriff of St. Louis County - Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to notify Tiery Wright Administrator de bonis non of Joseph Wright deceased, that he be and appear before the Justices of our County Court, at the next term thereof, to be held at the city of St. Louis, within and for the county of St. Louis, on the eleventh day of May next, then and there to exhibit his accounts, for settlement, as Administrator as aforesaid, and to shew cause why an attachment should not issue against him for not exhibiting his accounts according to law; and have you then and there this writ.

Witness, Henry Chouteau, Clerk of our said Court, at office, this fifth day of March 1835.

Henry Chouteau Clerk."

On May 1, 1835, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 Tiery Wright filed his accounting for the estate of Joseph Wright:

"Estate of Joseph Wright deceased Dr to Tiery T. Wright his Admr

For Amount paid	Henry Chouteau	clerk's fees	No 1		$1.00
"	"	do	do	2	1.22
"	"	Charles & Paschall	printing	3	2.00
B_ due Admr May 1, 1835					$4.22

On November 23, 1835, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 the court issued another summons against Tiery Wright to file his accounting for the estate of Joseph Wright:

"County of St. Louis, SS.
State of Missouri,

To the Sheriff of St. Louis County - Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to notify Tiery Wright Administrator de bonis non of Joseph Wright deceased, that he be and appear before the Justices of our County Court, at the next term thereof, to be held at the city of St. Louis, within and for the county of St. Louis, on the eighth day of February next, then and there to exhibit his accounts, for settlement, as Administrator as aforesaid, and to shew cause why an attachment should not issue against him for not exhibiting his accounts according to law; and have you then and there this writ.

Witness, Henry Chouteau, Clerk of our said Court, at office, this 23d day of November 1835.

Henry Chouteau Clerk"

On February 8, 1836, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 Tiery Wright filed a statement that he had not collected any of the assets of the estate of Joseph Wright:

"Tiery T. Wright admr of Joseph Wright deceased for his annual Settlement states to the Court that he has receved nothing and expended nothing in behalf of the Estate of said deceased - Feb. Term 1836 - Feb. 8, 1836

Teiry Wright"

The will of 1849 Thomas Wright dated October 20, 1843, and probated on August 6, 1849, at Franklin County, Virginia, W.B. 7/79 listed Tyree Wright as one of Joseph Wright's children:

> . . . . Item 3rd I give unto my grand children the heirs of Joseph Wright deceased six hundred dollars to be equally divided amongst them or the survivors or their heirs that is 1/7 to the heirs of Malinda Breggs 1/7 to Tyree Wright . . . ."

On December 9, 1850, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 21/473 the heirs of Joseph Wright appointed Solomon Wright their attorney in fact to deal with the estate:

> "Know all men by these presents that whereas Thomas Wright the Elder late of of the County of Franklin and State of Virginia deceased by his his last Will and Testament did give and bequeath unto his Grand children the heirs of Joseph Wright deceased, the sum of six hundred dollars to be equally divided among them, or the survivors of them or their heirs that is to say, the sum of six hundred dollars to be divided as follows, to wit: 1/7 to the heirs of Melinda Briggs 1/7 to Tyree Wright 1/7 to Letitia Gerard 1/7 to James A. Wright 1/7 to Wiley S. Wright 1/7 to Virginia P. Wright 1/7 to Julia A. Wright or their heirs forever, to be paid unto them by the Executor of the said Thomas Wright the Elder deceased of which last Will and Testament, Robert P. Wright is the Executor as in and by said Will and Testament may appear. . . ."

In his email dated July 23, 1997, Harold Halverson stated that the 1870 Census for Cache Creek, Yolo County, California, listed Tyra Wright with the following household:

Name	Age	Sex	Occupation	Personal Property	Born
Tyra Wright	58	M	Farmer	16500	Virginia

This record indicates that Tyree Wright was born in about 1812.

In his letters dated October 29, 1981, and October 26, 1981, James W. Robinson enclosed family group sheets which stated that Tyree or Tiery Wright was a

son of 1829 Joseph F. Wright and Cynthia (Belcher) Wright, was born on July 29, 1811, resided in Sacramento, California, in 1873, and died in January 1889.

iii. Latitia (Wright) Girard, Her Husband John B. Girard, And Her Descendants

Latitia (Wright) Girard was a daughter of 1829 Joseph F. Wright of Missouri and Cynthia (Belcher) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1849 Thomas[3], 1829 Joseph F.[4])

On May 27, 1829, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 Cynthia Wright executed her declaration that Leatetia Wright was one of the nine heirs of Joseph Wright and that she then resided in St. Louis County, Missouri:

". . . .

> This day personally appeared before me, the undersigned, clerk of the County Court, for the county of St. Louis, the undersigned Cynthia Wright who, being by me duly sworn, upon her oath saith that to the best of her knowledge there are nine heirs of Joseph Wright deceased now in being to wit, Malinda Briggs, Tiery T. Wright, Leatetia Wright, Elizabeth Green Wright, James Anthony Wright, Wilie S. Wright, Virginia P. Wright, William P. Wright & Julia Ann Wright, residing is S Louis County . . . .
>
> Henry Chouteau Cynthia X mark" Wright

On August 14, 1832, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 Tiery Wright executed his declaration that Leatetia Wright was one of the nine heirs of Joseph Wright and that she then resided in St. Louis County, Missouri:

". . . .

> This day personally appeared before me, the Clerk of the County Court, for the county of St. Louis, the undersigned, Tiery Wright who, being by me duly sworn, upon his oath saith that to the best of his knowledge there are heirs of Joseph Wright deceased now in being, to wit; Malinda Briggs, Tiery T Wright, Leatetia Wright, Elizabeth Green Wright, James A Wright, Wylie S. Wright Virginia P Wright, William P Wright and Julia Ann Wright, residing in St Louis County . . . .

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this fourteenth day of August 1832

Henry Chouteau Tiery Wright
Clerk"

The will of 1849 Thomas Wright dated October 20, 1843, and probated on August 6, 1849, at Franklin County, Virginia, W.B. 7/79 listed Latitia Gerard as one of Joseph Wright's children:

> . . . . Item 3rd I give unto my grand children the heirs of Joseph Wright deceased six hundred dollars to be equally divided amongst them or the survivors or their heirs that is 1/7 to the heirs of Malinda Breggs 1/7 to Tyree Wright. 1/7 to Latitia Gerard . . . ."

On December 9, 1850, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 21/473 the heirs of Joseph Wright appointed Solomon Wright their attorney in fact to deal with the estate:

> "Know all men by these presents that whereas Thomas Wright the Elder late of of the County of Franklin and State of Virginia deceased by his his last Will and Testament did give and bequeath unto his Grand children the heirs of Joseph Wright deceased, the sum of six hundred dollars to be equally divided among them, or the survivors of them or their heirs that is to say, the sum of six hundred dollars to be divided as follows, to wit: 1/7 to the heirs of Melinda Briggs 1/7 to Tyree Wright 1/7 to Letitia Gerard 1/7 to James A. Wright 1/7 to Wiley S. Wright 1/7 to Virginia P. Wright 1/7 to Julia A. Wright or their heirs forever, to be paid unto them by the Executor of the said Thomas Wright the Elder deceased of which last Will and Testament, Robert P. Wright is the Executor as in and by said Will and Testament may appear. And whereas the Judge of the St Louis Probate Court has appointed Curators for the Estates of Cynthia Briggs, Mary Jane Briggs and Eliza Briggs, who are the sole heirs of the said Malinda Briggs deceased, that is to say has appointed James A. Wright Curator of the Estate of the said Cynthia Briggs and John Napp Curator of the Estates of the said Mary Jane and Eliza Briggs, as will appear by the certificates of the Judge and Clerk of said Court (in due form of law) under seal of said Court, hereto annexed. And whereas Virginia P. and Julia A. Wright are both lawfully married - Virginia P. to John Knapp and Julia A. to William Mount as will appear by the copies from the Book of Marriages in the recorders office of St Louis County, hereto annexed, certified by the said recorder under his seal. Now Know Ye that we the said James A Wright, Wiley S. Wright, Letitia Gerard, John Knapp and Virginia P. his wife, Julia A. wife of said William Mount & Cynthia Briggs, by her curator James A. Wright and Mary Jane and Eliza Briggs, by their curator John Knapp, Have made Ordained constituted and appointed, Solomon Wright of the County of ____ and State of Virginia, our true and lawful attorney, for us, and in our names, and for our use and benefit, to ask, demand, and receive of and from the

said Robert P. Wright Executor the legacies given and bequeathed unto us by the said Will of the said Thomas Wright the elder, as aforesaid, and upon receipt thereof by or payment thereof to, and said Attorney, a general release or discharge for the same to make, Execute, and deliver, hereby ratifying, confirming and allowing whatsoever our said Attorney shall lawfully do in the premises. In Witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and seals this Ninth day of December A. D. 1850 at the City of St Louis and State of Missouri.

James A. Wright
Wiley S. Wright
Letitia Gerarde
Julia A. Mount
John Knapp
Virginia P. Knapp
John Knapp
Curator of Mary Jane & Eliza Briggs
James A. Wright
Curator of Cynthia Ann Briggs

State of Missouri)
County of Saint Louis) SS.

I John H. Watson a Commissioner appointed by the Governor of the State of Virginia, for the State of Missouri certify that James A. Wright, Wiley S. Wright, Letitia Gerarde Julia A Mount and John Knapp, whose names are signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the Ninth day of December Eighteen hundred and fifty, have acknowledged the same before me in my State of Missouri aforesaid on this 9' day of December A. D. 1850. And I further certify that John Knapp as Curator of Mary Jane and Elisa Briggs whose name is signed as such to the said annexed writing, acknowledged the same as said Curator, at the same time, before me; and I further certify that James A. Wright, as Curator of Cynthia Ann Briggs, whose name is signed as such to the said annexed writing, acknowledged the same as said Curator, at the same time, before me. Given under my hand this ninth day of December A. D. 1850

Jno. H. Watson
Commissioner of Virginia
for the State of Missouri

. . . ."

On August 16, 1856, at Roanoke County, Virginia, D.B. E/609 James A. Wright, Letitia Girard, Virginia P. Knapp and her husband John Knapp, Julia A. Mount and her husband William Mount, Mary Jane Dunn and her husband John Dunn, and Eliza M.

Briggs, all of St. Louis County, Missouri, appointed Joel M. Wright to act for them in connection with the estate of 1849 Thomas Wright:

"Know all men by these presents that we the undersigned, James A. Wright, Letitia Girard, Virginia P. Knapp and John Knapp, her husband, John A. Mount and William Mount her husband, Mary J. Dunn and John Dunn her husband, and Eliza Briggs, all of the County of St. Louis and state of Missouri, heirs of the late Thomas Wright, late of the County of Franklin and State of Virginia, and of the late Solomon Wright late of the County of Roanoke and state of Virginia, have made, constituted, and appointed, and do by these presents make, constitute, and appoint Joel M. Wright of the County of Roanoke, aforesaid, our true and lawful attorney for us and in our names, places, and stead, to receive from any and all persons from whom the same may be due, or who may have charge or possession of the same, any and all moneys which may be due, or which shall hereinafter become due, to us as heirs of the aforesaid Thomas Wright and Solomon Wright or either of them to take such legal measures as may be necessary for the collection of the same, and also to sign, execute and deliver in our names good and valid receipts and acquitances for all such monys so received and also to perform all such legal acts as may be necessary in those premises, and which we ourselves might do if personally present. And we further empower our said attorney to remit and pay over all moneys so received to James A. Wright of the City and County of St. Louis and state of Missouri hereby ratifying and confirming all acts which our said Attorney shall perform by authority of these presents. In testimony whereof we have hereto set our hands and seals.

Witness
James B. Goff

James A. Wright
Latitia Girard
Julia A. Mount
William Mount
Virginia P. Knapp
John Knapp
Mary Jane Dunn
John Dunn
Eliza M. Briggs

City & County of St. Louis)
State of Missouri)

I James B. Goff, a commissioner within and for the State of Missouri, duly commissioned and authorized by the Governor of the State of Virginia to take the acknowledgement of Deed or other instrument of writing, to be ____ or recorded in said State of Virginia, hereby certify that on the 16 day of August 1856 James A Wright, Latitia Girard, Julia A Mount, William Mount John Knapp, and Virginia

P. Knapp, who are to me severally known to be the same persons whose signatures are affixed to the foregoing instrument of writing as parties thereto, personally appeared before me and acknowledged the same to be their act and deed, for the purposes therein specified - the said Julia & Virginia having been first examined apart from their husbands. In witness whereof I have hereto set my hand and seal of office in the City of St Louis aforesaid the day & year above written

James B. Gof
Commissioner for Virginia

State of Missouri)
City & County of St. Louis)

I, James B Goff, a Commissioner within and for the State of Missouri, duly commissioned & authorized by the Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia to take acknowledgements of deeds and other instruments of writing to be ____ and recorded in said State of Virginia hereby certify that on the 27' day of August 1856 Eliza M Briggs and Mary Jane Dunn - and on the 28' day of August 1856 John Dunn who are severally known to me to be the same persons whose names are signed to the foregoing instrument of writing as parties thereto, personally appeared before me and acknowledged the same to be their act and deed for the purposes therein specified, Mary Jane Dunn having been examined apart from her husband

Witness my hand and affixed seal this 28' day of August 1856

James B Goff, Comr for Virginia

In the clerk's office of the County Court of Roanoke the 18' day of November 1856 this power of attorney from James A Wright and others to Joel M Wright was delivered to me and with the certificate thereon written admitted to record

Teste
F. Johnston C"

In his letters dated October 29, 1981, and October 26, 1981, James W. Robinson enclosed family group sheets which stated that Lactitia Wright was a daughter of 1829 Joseph F. Wright and Cynthia (Belcher) Wright, was born on March 6, 1814, and married John B. Girard on January 22, 1834, at St. Louis, Missouri.

iv. Elizabeth Green Wright

Elizabeth Green Wright was a daughter of 1829 Joseph F. Wright of Missouri and Cynthia (Belcher) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1849 Thomas[3], 1829 Joseph F.[4])

On May 27, 1829, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 Cynthia Wright executed her declaration that Elizabeth Green Wright was one of the nine heirs of Joseph Wright and that she then resided in St. Louis County, Missouri:

". . . .

This day personally appeared before me, the undersigned, clerk of the County Court, for the county of St. Louis, the undersigned Cynthia Wright who, being by me duly sworn, upon her oath saith that to the best of her knowledge there are nine heirs of Joseph Wright deceased now in being to wit, Malinda Briggs, Tiery T. Wright, Leatetia Wright, Elizabeth Green Wright, James Anthony Wright, Wilie S. Wright, Virginia P. Wright, William P. Wright & Julia Ann Wright, residing is S Louis County . . . .

Henry Chouteau Cynthia X Wright
mark"

On August 14, 1832, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 Tiery Wright executed his declaration that Elizabeth Green Wright was one of the nine heirs of Joseph Wright and that she then resided in St. Louis County, Missouri:

". . . .

This day personally appeared before me, the Clerk of the County Court, for the county of St. Louis, the undersigned, Tiery Wright who, being by me duly sworn, upon his oath saith that to the best of his knowledge there are heirs of Joseph Wright deceased now in being, to wit; Malinda Briggs, Tiery T Wright, Leatetia Wright, Elizabeth Green Wright, James A Wright, Wylie S. Wright Virginia P Wright, William P Wright and Julia Ann Wright, residing in St Louis County . . . .

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this fourteenth day of August 1832

Henry Chouteau Tiery Wright
Clerk"

In his letters dated October 29, 1981, and October 26, 1981, James W. Robinson enclosed family group sheets which stated that Elizabeth G. Wright was a

daughter of 1829 Joseph F. Wright and Cynthia (Belcher) Wright, was born on October 21, 1816, at Franklin County, Virginia, and died on October 5, 1834.

v. 1877 James Anthony Wright Of St. Louis, Missouri, His Wife Louisa Hanna (Potter) Wright, And His Descendants

1877 James Anthony Wright of St. Louis, Missouri, was a son of 1829 Joseph F. Wright of Missouri and Cynthia (Belcher) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1849 Thomas[3], 1829 Joseph F.[4])

On May 27, 1829, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 Cynthia Wright executed her declaration that James Anthony Wright was one of the nine heirs of Joseph Wright and that she then resided in St. Louis County, Missouri:

". . . .

> This day personally appeared before me, the undersigned, clerk of the County Court, for the county of St. Louis, the undersigned Cynthia Wright who, being by me duly sworn, upon her oath saith that to the best of her knowledge there are nine heirs of Joseph Wright deceased now in being to wit, Malinda Briggs, Tiery T. Wright, Leatetia Wright, Elizabeth Green Wright, James Anthony Wright, Wilie S. Wright, Virginia P. Wright, William P. Wright & Julia Ann Wright, residing is S Louis County . . . .
>
> Henry Chouteau Cynthia X mark" Wright

On August 14, 1832, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 Tiery Wright executed his declaration that James Anthony Wright was one of the nine heirs of Joseph Wright and that she then resided in St. Louis County, Missouri:

". . . .

> This day personally appeared before me, the Clerk of the County Court, for the county of St. Louis, the undersigned, Tiery Wright who, being by me duly sworn, upon his oath saith that to the best of his knowledge there are heirs of Joseph Wright deceased now in being, to wit; Malinda Briggs, Tiery T Wright, Leatetia Wright, Elizabeth Green Wright, James A Wright, Wylie S. Wright Virginia P Wright, William P Wright and Julia Ann Wright, residing in St Louis County . . . .

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this fourteenth day of August 1832

Henry Chouteau Tiery Wright
Clerk"

The will of 1849 Thomas Wright dated October 20, 1843, and probated on August 6, 1849, at Franklin County, Virginia, W.B. 7/79 listed James A. Wright deceased as one of Joseph Wright's children:

> . . . . Item 3rd I give unto my grand children the heirs of Joseph Wright deceased six hundred dollars to be equally divided amongst them or the survivors or their heirs that is 1/7 to the heirs of Malinda Breggs 1/7 to Tyree Wright. 1/7 to Latitia Gerard 1/7 to James A Wright . . . ."

On December 9, 1850, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 21/473 the heirs of Joseph Wright appointed Solomon Wright their attorney in fact to deal with the estate:

> "Know all men by these presents that whereas Thomas Wright the Elder late of of the County of Franklin and State of Virginia deceased by his his last Will and Testament did give and bequeath unto his Grand children the heirs of Joseph Wright deceased, the sum of six hundred dollars to be equally divided among them, or the survivors of them or their heirs that is to say, the sum of six hundred dollars to be divided as follows, to wit: 1/7 to the heirs of Melinda Briggs 1/7 to Tyree Wright 1/7 to Letitia Gerard 1/7 to James A. Wright 1/7 to Wiley S. Wright 1/7 to Virginia P. Wright 1/7 to Julia A. Wright or their heirs forever, to be paid unto them by the Executor of the said Thomas Wright the Elder deceased of which last Will and Testament, Robert P. Wright is the Executor as in and by said Will and Testament may appear. And whereas the Judge of the St Louis Probate Court has appointed Curators for the Estates of Cynthia Briggs, Mary Jane Briggs and Eliza Briggs, who are the sole heirs of the said Malinda Briggs deceased, that is to say has appointed James A. Wright Curator of the Estate of the said Cynthia Briggs and John Napp Curator of the Estates of the said Mary Jane and Eliza Briggs, as will appear by the certificates of the Judge and Clerk of said Court (in due form of law) under seal of said Court, hereto annexed. And whereas Virginia P. and Julia A. Wright are both lawfully married - Virginia P. to John Knapp and Julia A. to William Mount as will appear by the copies from the Book of Marriages in the recorders office of St Louis County, hereto annexed, certified by the said recorder under his seal. Now Know Ye that we the said James A Wright, Wiley S. Wright, Letitia Gerard, John Knapp and Virginia P. his wife, Julia A. wife of said William Mount & Cynthia Briggs, by her curator James A. Wright and Mary Jane and Eliza Briggs, by their curator John Knapp, Have made Ordained constituted and appointed, Solomon Wright of the County of ____ and State of Virginia, our true and lawful attorney, for us, and in our names, and for our use and benefit, to ask, demand, and receive of and from the

said Robert P. Wright Executor the legacies given and bequeathed unto us by the said Will of the said Thomas Wright the elder, as aforesaid, and upon receipt thereof by or payment thereof to, and said Attorney, a general release or discharge for the same to make, Execute, and deliver, hereby ratifying, confirming and allowing whatsoever our said Attorney shall lawfully do in the premises. In Witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and seals this Ninth day of December A. D. 1850 at the City of St Louis and State of Missouri.

James A. Wright
Wiley S. Wright
Letitia Gerarde
Julia A. Mount
John Knapp
Virginia P. Knapp
John Knapp
Curator of Mary Jane & Eliza Briggs
James A. Wright
Curator of Cynthia Ann Briggs

State of Missouri)
County of Saint Louis) SS.

I John H. Watson a Commissioner appointed by the Governor of the State of Virginia, for the State of Missouri certify that James A. Wright, Wiley S. Wright, Letitia Gerarde Julia A Mount and John Knapp, whose names are signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the Ninth day of December Eighteen hundred and fifty, have acknowledged the same before me in my State of Missouri aforesaid on this 9' day of December A. D. 1850. And I further certify that John Knapp as Curator of Mary Jane and Elisa Briggs whose name is signed as such to the said annexed writing, acknowledged the same as said Curator, at the same time, before me; and I further certify that James A. Wright, as Curator of Cynthia Ann Briggs, whose name is signed as such to the said annexed writing, acknowledged the same as said Curator, at the same time, before me. Given under my hand this ninth day of December A. D. 1850

Jno. H. Watson
Commissioner of Virginia
for the State of Missouri

. . . ."

On August 16, 1856, at Roanoke County, Virginia, D.B. E/609 James A. Wright, Letitia Girard, Virginia P. Knapp and her husband John Knapp, Julia A. Mount and her husband William Mount, Mary Jane Dunn and her husband John Dunn, and Eliza M.

Briggs, all of St. Louis County, Missouri, appointed Joel M. Wright to act for them in connection with the estate of 1849 Thomas Wright:

"Know all men by these presents that we the undersigned, James A. Wright, Letitia Girard, Virginia P. Knapp and John Knapp, her husband, John A. Mount and William Mount her husband, Mary J. Dunn and John Dunn her husband, and Eliza Briggs, all of the County of St. Louis and state of Missouri, heirs of the late Thomas Wright, late of the County of Franklin and State of Virginia, and of the late Solomon Wright late of the County of Roanoke and state of Virginia, have made, constituted, and appointed, and do by these presents make, constitute, and appoint Joel M. Wright of the County of Roanoke, aforesaid, our true and lawful attorney for us and in our names, places, and stead, to receive from any and all persons from whom the same may be due, or who may have charge or possession of the same, any and all moneys which may be due, or which shall hereinafter become due, to us as heirs of the aforesaid Thomas Wright and Solomon Wright or either of them to take such legal measures as may be necessary for the collection of the same, and also to sign, execute and deliver in our names good and valid receipts and acquitances for all such monys so received and also to perform all such legal acts as may be necessary in those premises, and which we ourselves might do if personally present. And we further empower our said attorney to remit and pay over all moneys so received to James A. Wright of the City and County of St. Louis and state of Missouri hereby ratifying and confirming all acts which our said Attorney shall perform by authority of these presents. In testimony whereof we have hereto set our hands and seals.

Witness
James B. Goff

James A. Wright
Latitia Girard
Julia A. Mount
William Mount
Virginia P. Knapp
John Knapp
Mary Jane Dunn
John Dunn
Eliza M. Briggs

City & County of St. Louis)
State of Missouri)

I James B. Goff, a commissioner within and for the State of Missouri, duly commissioned and authorized by the Governor of the State of Virginia to take the acknowledgement of Deed or other instrument of writing, to be ____ or recorded in said State of Virginia, hereby certify that on the 16 day of August 1856 James

A Wright, Latitia Girard, Julia A Mount, William Mount John Knapp, and Virginia P. Knapp, who are to me severally known to be the same persons whose signatures are affixed to the foregoing instrument of writing as parties thereto, personally appeared before me and acknowledged the same to be their act and deed, for the purposes therein specified - the said Julia & Virginia having been first examined apart from their husbands. In witness whereof I have hereto set my hand and seal of office in the City of St Louis aforesaid the day & year above written

James B. Goff
Commissioner for Virginia

State of Missouri)
City & County of St. Louis)

I, James B Goff, a Commissioner within and for the State of Missouri, duly commissioned & authorized by the Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia to take acknowledgements of deeds and other instruments of writing to be ____ and recorded in said State of Virginia hereby certify that on the 27' day of August 1856 Eliza M Briggs and Mary Jane Dunn - and on the 28' day of August 1856 John Dunn who are severally known to me to be the same persons whose names are signed to the foregoing instrument of writing as parties thereto, personally appeared before me and acknowledged the same to be their act and deed for the purposes therein specified, Mary Jane Dunn having been examined apart from her husband

Witness my hand and affixed seal this 28' day of August 1856

James B Goff, Comr for Virginia

In the clerk's office of the County Court of Roanoke the 18' day of November 1856 this power of attorney from James A Wright and others to Joel M Wright was delivered to me and with the certificate thereon written admitted to record

Teste
F. Johnston C"

On July 7, 1877, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 12769 Louisa H. Wright and Joseph P. Wright filed their affidavit for appointment as administrators of the estate of James A. Wright and stated that James A. Wright had died on June 29, 1877:

"No. 12769
James A. Wright
Affidavit of Administrator.
Filed July 10th 1877

W E Wagner Clerk.

State of Missouri,)
County of St. Louis.) SS.

This Day, personally appeared before me the Clerk of the Probate Court for the County of St. Louis, the undersigned Louisa H. Wright and Joseph P. Wright who, being by me duly sworn, upon their oaths say that to the best of their knowledge there are the following named heirs of James A. Wright late of the County of St. Louis aforesaid deceased, now in being, to-wit:

Louisa H. Wright, widow of said deceased
Joseph P. Wright)
Frank L. Wright) children of said deceased
John B. Wright)
Cora P. Wright)

all residing in the City of St Louis

That the said deceased died on or about the 29th day of June 1877; that the estate of said deceased does not exceed the sum of Eighty thousand Dollars in value as these affiants are informed and believe of which about $45,000 is in personal property; that to the best of their knowledge, the said deceased died without a will, so far as they know and believe; and that they will make a perfect inventory of and faithfully administer all the estate of the deceased and pay the debts as far as the assets will extend and the law direct, and account for and pay all assets which shall come to their possession or knowledge.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 7th day of July 1877

W E Wagner
Clerk

Louisa H. Wright
Joseph P. Wright"

This record indicates that the family of James A. Wright were the following:

Wife: Louisa H. Wright,

Children: 1) Joseph P. Wright,

2) Frank L. Wright,

3) John B. Wright, and

4) Cora P. Wright.

On July 7, 1877, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 12769 Louisa H. Wright and Joseph P. Wright executed their surety bond for their appointment as administrators of the estate of James A. Wright:

"Know all Men by these Presents:

That We Louisa H Wright and Joseph P. Wright as principals, and we Jacob Woodburn, Gideon W. Chadbourne, Henry S. Platt, Frank L. Wright and Thomas Lowery as securities, are held and firmly bound unto the State of Missouri, in the full and just sum of Seventy five thousand Dollars, to the payment whereof, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by thesse presents. Sealed with our seals, and dated at St. Louis, this Seventh day of July 1877

The Condition of the above bond is, that if Louisa H. Wright and Joseph P. Wright Administrators of the estate of James A. Wright Deceased, shall faithfully administer said estate, account for, pay and deliver all money and property of said estate, and perform all other things touching said administration required by law, or the order or decree of any Court having jurisdiction, then the above bond to be void, otherwise to remain in full force.

Frank L Wright
Tho. Lowry
Attest:
W E Wagner Clk

Louisa H. Wright
Joseph P. Wright
Jacob Woodholm
C. W. Chadbourne
H. S. Platt

Recorded 10th day of July 1877.

C. B. McEntire.
Deputy Clerk."

On July 7, 1877, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 12769 an inventory and appraisement of the estate of James A. Wright was filed showing an estate of personal property valued at over $24,000:

"State of Missouri,)
County of St. Louis,) ss.

On this 12th day of July A.D. 1877, before me Fred C Mehl a Notary Public within and for the County aforesaid, personally appeared Theodore Salargne, Henry Timken and Robert Dougherty who, being by me duly sworn, on their oaths say, they are not interested, nor of kin to any person interested, in the estate of James A. Wright late of the County of St. Louis, deceased, as heir or devisee, and that they will, to the best of their ability, view and appraise the personal estate of said deceased, to them produced.

Theo. Salogne)
Henry Tinkler) Appraisers.
Robert Dougherty)

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 12th day of July 1877

Fred C Mehl
Notary Public

Appraisement of the personal estate of James A. Wright late of the County of St. Louis, deceased.

		Factory	
5	77	Four seat Barouche with shafts finished	367.50
11	77	" " " " " "	367.50
12	77	" " " " " "	367.50
13	76	" " " " " "	392.50
8	77	" " " " " "	392.50
7	77	" " " " " "	392.50
13	77	" " " " " "	367.50
10	77	" " " " " "	367.50
2	C	" " " " " "	250.00
32		" " " Platform Springs "	325.00
3	4	Victoria with Pole & shafts	514.95
19	C	Six seat Panelled Rockaway with Pxole	700.00
20	77	Four seat Sash door Rockaway with shafts	425.00
21	77	" " " " " " "	425.00
44	75	Jenny Lind with shafts	250.00
1	76	" " " "	250.00
19	75	Light no top Piano box buggy with shafts	160.00
151		Side spring open buggy with shafts	90.00
51		" " " " " "	110.00
28	76	" " " " " "	125.00

28	77	Piano box " " " "	125.00
29	77	" " " " " "	125.00
			6889.95
		Brot forward	6889.95
	B	Piano box open buggy with shafts	125.00
4	D	" " " " Brewster Side bar & shafts	94.25
_0	76	Coal " " " with shafts	125.00
7	B	Top Piano box buggy " "	225.00
1	77	" " " " " "	250.00
2	77	" " " " " "	250.00
3	75	" " " " " "	225.00
20	75	" " " " " "	250.00
_4	76	" " " " " "	225.00
_3	76	" " " " " "	225.00
32	75	" " " " " "	200.00
6	76	" " " closed back	235.00
8	76	" " " " " "	235.00
56	76	" " " " " "	235.00
26	77	" " " " " "	235.00
25	77	" " " " " "	235.00
20	C	" Gosling side bar buggy " "	225.00
5	D	" Brewster " " " " "	148.00
22	77	" " " " " " "	240.00
17	77	" " " " " " "	240.00
16	77	" " " " " " "	240.00
5	74	" Half Piano box buggy " "	175.00
6	74	" " " " " " "	175.00
72	74	" Drop front country buggy " "	175.00
53	74	" " " " " " "	175.00
15	75	" " " " " " "	175.00
42	76	" Eu Eureka Jumpseat " " "	260.00
47	76	" " " " " " "	260.00
11	76	" Side spring Country " " "	175.00
12	76	" " " " " " "	175.00
31	77	" Ladies Phaeton buggy " "	250.00
30	77	" " " " " "	250.00
6	D	" " " " " "	211.00
79	73	" 3 spring Drummers " " "	190.00
27	75	" Colorado coal box " " "	190.00
			14188.20
		Brought forward	14188.20
56	75	Top Coal box buggy with shafts	190.00
16	76	" Half Coal box buggy " "	200.00
76	74	" Physicians " " "	250.00

16		Jumpseat Rockaway " "	225.00
8	B	T Curb with Pole and shaft	375.00
159		Barouche straight body with shafts	200.00
103		" " " " "	200.00
160		" " " " "	200.00
16	B	Canopy Pony Phaeton " "	175.00
7	D	" " " " "	194.15
54	76	Light four seat wagon open " "	150.00
53	76	" " " " " " "	150.00
52	76	" " " " " " "	150.00
1543		Brown top Trade wagon " "	170.00
1	D	Four seat open spring wagon " "	100.00
2	D	" " " " " " "	100.00
		Skeleton wagon " "	115.00
		Sulky	86.35
		Singer top buggy not repaired Old	50.00
		Chadbourne Barouche repaired "	212.50
		Dowell " " " "	200.00
		Country " " "	200.00
		Richardson top spring wagon " "	90.00
		Tower top buggy " "	110.00
		Sisters Jenny Lind " "	100.00
		Christy Open buggy " "	90.00
		Crandall " " " "	50.00
			18521.20
		Brought forward	18521.20
	10	finished probes without Yokes @ 16.00	160.00
Trim Shops			
	75	feet enamelled leather @ .20	15.00
	1	Side Harness leather	3.00
		__ old hair Moss and cotton @ .10	6.00
	1	lot buckles	1.00
	1	" tools	2.00
	7	Yels Mole skin @ .40	2.80
	25	" Muslin " .15	3.75
	32	" Rubber Duck " .50	16.00
	14	" Oil Cloth " .34	4.76
	1	Old Singer sewing machine	30.00
	5	" carriage covers @ .30	1.50
	4	stools .60 - 3 stitching horses 1.50	
		12 Pasteing boards .60 2 buckets .30	3.00
	1	Stove and pipe	3.00
	1	lot buttons tacks &c	10.00
Paint Shop			

	Brushes, 3 mills 1 Paint stone & tools		25.00
20	Gals Varnish Japans & Oil	@ 2.00	40.00
1	Old stove and pipe		1.00
4	Side bar buggies ironed & part painted	@ 110.00	440.00
4	Closed back Piano box buggies ironed & part painted	@ 115.00	460.00
6	Poles & 4 Yokes " " " "	@ 10.00	60.00
5	Barouche bodies not ironed	@ 40.00	200.00
10	Buggy bodies " " " 16.00		160.00
26	Old barrels 2.60 1 coal wagon 1.00 1 step ladder .25 1 cool box .65 2 Trucks .30		5.00
Loft			
1	Small stove with pipe		1.50
3	sets "A" Sarven wheels	@ 20.00	100.00
6	" Plain wheels	@ 19.00	114.00
			20389.51
	Brought forward		20389.51
2	sets second hand wheels		8.00
5	pair shafts (wood only)	@ 2.50	12.50
9	Poles " " "	3.00	27.00
1	Old top 1.50 1 seat .50 40 old varnish cans @ .02-1/2 1.00		3.00
Vender Loft			
10	Neck Yokes with centre straps	@ 2.00	20.00
7	Gearings (wood only)	@ 4.00	28.00
41	lbs Germantown lamp black	@ .10	4.10
133	lbs Flour Pumice	@ .04	5.32
31	" English filling	@ .10	3.10
5 old cushions		@ .40	2.00
Finishing Room			
11	Prs Neck Yoke straps	@ 2.00	22.00
1	Steel yards 2.00 1 bolt cutter 1.00 Tools 2.00 1 bench & vice 5.00		10.00
1	Piece sale leather		2.00
Wood Shop			
7	Poles in rough	@ 1.00	7.00
22	Prs shafts "	" 1.50	33.00
1	Lot shafts " old stock		5.00
6	Pr 2nd Gro Side bars	@ .50	3.00
6	sets 2nd Gro. felloes	@ 2.50	15.00
3	sets felloes	@ 2.00	6.00
1	Lot spokes & hubs		10.00
2	Sash door Rockaway bodies party made @ 27.50		55.00
500	feet Hickory Lumber	@ .05	25.00

200	" " "	" .04	8.00
500	" Ash "	" .03-1/2	17.50
600	" Heavy Poplar "	" .03-1/2	21.00
900	" Light " "	" .03-1/2	31.50
1000	" Pine "	" .03-1/2	35.00
			20808.53
	Brought forward		20808.53
1	Lot small pieces of timbers		20.00
1	Coal stove		1.00
1	Old wood stove		3.00
1	Little Grant Hub boxing machine		30.00
5	Benches & vicks @ 6.00		30.00
2	sets tools 10.00 1 Grind stone & frame 300		13.00
5	Trestles 3.00 36 Hand screws @ .15 = 4.90 16 clamps @ .10 = 1.60 2 Glue pots @ .25 = 50		10.00
68	lbs Glue @ .25		17.00
Lumber Loft			
3½	sets felloes @ 2.00		7.00
2	Prs Sulky shafts @ 1.50		3.00
1 set	woods for wagon top		2.50
314	feet Hickory Lumber @ .03		9.40
1750	" " " old @ .02		35.00
1	Stove for Office		12.00
1	" " Shop		3.00
Under Loft			
2000	lb Scrap iron & old tyre @ 75 cts pr 100		15.00
14	sets steel tyre 588 lbs @ .05		29.40
400	bbs Spring steel and Norway iron @ .07		28.00
7	150/200 tons Blossburg Coal @ 8.45 per ton		61.90
75	Bu Pittsburgh eval @ 18 cts		13.50
Smith Shop			
2	Poles partly ironed @ 5.00		10.00
1	Heavy glaring & wheels ironed no springs, shafts not ironed		55.00
1	Heavy buggy nearly ironed no shafts		95.00
1	Part of gearing (Axles & perch stays)		25.00
2	Side bar gearings nearly ironed @ 75.00		150.00
20	Broken springs	@ .50	10.00
25	old axle arms	@ .25	6.25
			21503.48
	Brought forward		21503.48
50	Old axle boxes @ .10		5.00
700	lbs Scrap iron @ 75 per 100		5.25
100	lbs Good Iron @ .06		6.00
20	Doz assorted clips @ .60		12.00

1200	assorted bolts @ 1.50			18.00
1	Forge bellows Anvil & tools S. W. Corner			75.00
1	" " " " " N. W. "			40.00
1	" " " " " N. E. "			55.00
1	" " " " " S. E. "			25.00
9	Benches & vices @ 5.00			45.00
2	Drills 1 @ 30.00 & 1 @ 25.00			55.00
1	Upsetting machine			5.00
1	Tire bender			4.00
1	Plate for tire setting			10.00
3	Axles sets @ 2.00 = 6.00 Sundires 4.00			10.00
Cellar				
30	Gals Varnishes & Japans @ 5.00			60.00
20	" Turpentine @ .47			9.40
1	Lot old kindling wood 7.50 10 barrels @ .25 = 2.50			10.00
70	Old wheels in cellar & Yard @ .14			10.50
300	leather Washers @ 1.00			3.00
1	Lot old hub bands & old lamps			2.00
Cloth				
			47.25	
13½	Yds Green body cloth @ 3.50 Less 5%		2.36	44.89
			84.40	
37½	" " Headlining " @ 2.25 Less 5%		4.22	80.18
			17.50	
7	" Blue " " @ 2.50 Less 5%		.87	16.63
			46.00	
23	" " " " @ 2.00 Less 5%		.87	43.70
			47.15	
41	" " " " @ 1.15 Less 5% 2.35			44.80
1½	" Brown Velveteen			1.25
				22200.08
	Brought forward			22200.08
35½	Yds Brown Linen	@ .30		10.65
5	Sheepskin foot mats	@ 1.25		6.25
Closet				
3	Doz recnt files	@ 3.50		10.50
6	Balls seaming cord	@ .50		3.00
9	Brooms			1.00
25	Axle wrenches	@ .04		1.00
17	Gimlet bits	@ .10		1.70
8	Taps	@ .20		1.60
2	Round files	@ .20		.40
2	Tack hammers	@ .10		.20

4	Doz name plates	@ .90			3.60
2	Gross " " nails	@ .25			.50
Office					
1	Safe				30.00
1	Sitting desk 10.00 1 Standing desk 8.00 1 book case 2.00				20.00
1	Letter press 3.00 1 Water cooler 2.03 1 Clock 4.00				9.50
1	Lamp .25 10 small pictures .75 3 chairs 1.50 2 stools 1.00 Stationary 2.00				5.50
Stock Room					
			@ .23 =	214.24	
15	Hides 931½ feet Halsey top leather 5%			10.71	203.53
			@ .21 =	43.26	
4	" 206 " " Trim 5%			2.16	41.10
			@ .20 =	50.60	
5	" 253 " " Railing 5%			2.53	48.07
			@ .25 =	90.50	
7	" 362 " " Collar Dash 5%			4.52	85.98
8	" 403.6 " R.D & Co. fancy Trim leather @ .24				96.72
6	" 250 " " #1 Soft dash @ 12½				31.25
1	Lot Pillow springs				.50
			5.00		
8	set 4 bow Phila slat irons 30 & 5% 1.65				3.35
9	woods for neck yokes old stock				.50
6	Pr Pat shaft points @ 1.00				6.00
1	Lot odd tubular bow sockets				2.00
					22824.48
	Brought forward				22824.48
4	Pr cast iron slat risers @ .25				1.00
		@ .25 per Doz =		29.75	
14	Smiths 5th wheels		5%	1.50	28.25
				5.75	
3	Pr 5th wheel stubs 10 & 5%			.82	4.93
37	Axle boxes	@ .25			9.25
6	Pr N.Y. shaft couplings 50 & 5%			3.62	3.28
1	" Balt " "				.55
3	odd shaft couplings				.50
3	set Joint ends	@ .33-1/3			1.00
		@ 3.00 per Dz =		3.25	
13	3/8 X 3½ Whiffletree bolts 40 & 5%			1.40	1.85
		@ 3.00 per Dz =		7.75	
31	3/8 X 4 " " 40 & 5%			3.33	4.42
		@ 3.00 per Dz =		9.25	
37	5/16 X 3½ " " 40 & 5%			3.95	5.30

12	3/8 X 3½ Pat Wiffletree bolts			.95
		@ 7.50 per Dz Prs	22.50	
35	Pr Reversed Pole eyes	50 & 5%	11.80	10.70
			3.90	
6	" #0 coach Locks	5%	.19	3.71
8	Curtis 5th wheel anti rattlers			1.00
		@ 3.50 per Dz	11.66	
40	Brewster whiffletree plates 5 & 5%		1.13	10.53
40 short spring clips at 1.75 per Doz			5.83	
		10 + 5%	.84	4.99
6 King bolts @ 2.90 per Doz				1.45
2-3/4 Doz assorted Lowmoor Stirrup Joints				6.13
2	Pr 1 in Light Central Park couplings @ 65			1.30
		per Dz 1.15 =	3.45	
3	Doz #1 Smiths Pat Spring bar clips 30 & 5		1.15	2.30
		@	3.25	
100	1¼ X ¼ T head bolts 10%	.33		2.92
		@ 3.25 =	4.88	
150	2 X ¼ " " "	10% .49		4.39
12	Heavy axle clips			.90
4	Cast iron pole tips 2 Prs east yoke tips			.50
2	Pr #1 Sher step Pads 6.60 per Dz net			1.10
4	" #0 " " " 6.30 " " "			2.10
				22939.78
	Brought forward			22939.78
4	Axle saddle clips 1¼ spring 9.70 per Dz net			3.25
25	1-3/4 X 1/4 step bolts 2.21 per 100 net			.55
61	3½ X 7/16 shaft bolts 5.56 " " "			3.33
40	3/8 " " 5.56 " " "			2.23
25	3/8 Central Park shaft bolts 6.42 per 100 net			1.61
5600 assorted tyre bolts @ .60				33.60
2550	" Carriage " "		1.20	30.60
		@ .90	1.80	
200	3/8 wrat nuts 25%		.45	1.35
		@ .63	1.89	
300	1/4 " " 25%		.47	1.42
		@ 10.75	32.25	
3	set 1-1/8 X 7 S.T. Hartford axles Long 35 & 5%		12.32	19.93
5	1¼ X 7 S.T. axle arms short @ 1.00			5.00
4	set Dalzell fine axles with wrought boxes @ 9.00			36.40
2	Reams best flint paper @ 3.65			7.30
11	Solid collars @ .15			1.65
3	Doz pr shaft rubbers old stock @ .25			.75
4	lbs Iron washers @ .10			.40

2	Prs Saunders Pat pole eyes @ 2.50		2.25
4	set 5 bow extension Phila Slats 30 & 5 .83 @ .45 =	6.75	1.67
15	lbs Schracks ivory black 5%	.35	6.40
1½	lbs Carmine		5.00
6	Prs Bonner Gold Pole strap buckles @ .32		1.90
3	Gross Krohs screw knobs net 1.05		3.15
19	set Smiths wrat top props no trings net 51 cts		9.69
1	Doz #14 Japd curtin frames		2.15
12	Gross Japd tuft buttons net		1.19
1	Doz 3/4 Silver Yoke tips #485		6.00
5	Prs old singletree tips @ .25		1.25
			23129.86
	Brought forward		23129.86
4	Pr Gold Yoke tips 3/4 #485 @ 1.04		4.16
4	" Silver " " @ 1.00		4.00
6	Silver Pole tips @ 1.00		6.00
2	" 1¼ Ball pole tips @ 1.00		2.00
9	Pr Silver 1 in shaft tips @ .25		2.25
2	" Gold 1 " " " @ .36		.72
10	" Silver 7/8 " " @ .23		2.30
12	" " 3/4 " " " old stock		.50
6	" Japd prop washers		.10
10	" Gold " " @ .10		1.00
15	" Silver " " @ .07½		1.15
1-1/6	Gross leather covered prop nuts @ 16.50		19.25
8	Doz " " " " @ .75 @ 2.25	9.00	6.00
4	Pr Silver handles #162 10 & 5%	1.30	7.70
4	set 1-5/8 Silver bands old stock @ 1.00		4.00
2	" 2-1/8 Gold " " " " 1.00		2.00
12	" 2-1/4 " " " " " 1.00		1.00
8	Odd bands " " " .12½		1.00
27	Black Joint rivets		89
13½	doz plated nuts & rivets @ .50 per Doz		6.75
5	sets iron bands @ .30		1.50
1	Lot odd sizes old bands		1.00
7	1½ in main plates @ 95 cts net		6.65
4	1¼ " " " " 71 " "		2.85
1	Pr Rowlands elliptic springs		6.80
2	" 1-3/4 - 5 plate Concord springs @ 5.00		10.00
17	Elliptic springs average 4.43 each		75.30
			23306.58

	Brought forward			23306.58
25	Elliptic Springs Average 3.07 each			7._
		6.50		
1	Groot cruss spring 5%	.32		____
2	Old springs @ .50			
		10.13		____
1	Pr lamps G.B.B. #1 Silver 10 & 5%	1.46		____
146	Yds cotton sheeting @ .06½			
		@ 1.50	12.75	____
8½	" Blue velvet carpet 5% .63			
		@ 2.25 =	27.50	____
12¼	" Assorted colors Wilton Carpet 5%		1.35	
		@ 2.10 =	6.30	____
3	" Plain red " " 5% .93			
		@ 1.10 =	18.70	____
17	" Red & Blue tapestry Brussels 5%		.93	____
4	small Monkey wrenches @ 25-3/4			____
4	Pieces top web @ 18-3/4			____
1	Package tufting twine			____
12	Chamois Skins @ .66-2/3			____
		@ 4.00	40.00	____
10	Gals. Black Rubbing Varnish 4%		1.60	3._
12	Doz Pr Shaft rubbers @ .55 cts			
1	Lot old brass			____
	Total at factory			2352._

House furniture &c

Parlor

48	Yds Brussels Carpet @ .50	24._
3	Arm Chairs @ 3.00	9.00
1	Hair Cloth Sofa	8._
3	" " cushion chairs @ 1.50	4._
2	Cane seat Chairs @ 1.00	2.00
2	Marble top centre tables @ 4.00	8.00
1	What not	1._
1	Japanese work stand	
		61.50
	Brought forward	61.50
3	Mantle ornaments (2 vases & 1 case stuffed birds @ 1.00	3.00
3	Small stands & covers @ 1.00	3.00
2	Foot mats @ .75	1.50
1	Mirror with marble shelf & brackets	20.00
3	Lambrequins with cornices @ 3.00	9.00

1	Drop light	1.00
5	Pictures with frames @ 1.00	5.00
1	Piano with stool & cover	100.00
26	Volumes books @ .25	6.50
1	Marble Statuette	5.00
Halls		
1	Hat rack	4.00
1	Hall chair	1.50
26	Yds carpet in lower hall on stairs & upper hall @ .50	13.00
8	" " on upper stairs @ .30	2.40
1	small mat	.25
Dining Room		
30	Yds old velvet carpet @ .20	6.00
1	Ice chest	5.00
1	Side board	7.00
1	Extension dining table & cover	5.00
7	Cane seat chairs @ .40	2.80
3	Pictures & frames @ .50	1.50
1	Clock	1.00
6	Mantle ornaments @ .25	1.50
		266.45
Dining Room Closets		
	Brought forward	266.45
3	Doz Jelly glasses @ .25	.75
3	" Glass fruit Jars @ .50	1.50
3	" Tin " cans @ .25	.75
1	Box family soap 60 lbs	3.50
3	sets fire irons @ .75	2.25
1	"Sultana" sheet iron stove	3.00
2	Large dish pans @ .25	.50
2	Earthen Jugs @ .10	.20
3	Large meat dishes @ .25	.75
6	Small " " @ .10	.60
1	Soup Tureen	.50
2	Covered dishes @ .20	.40
2	Pitchers @ .10	.20
2	Tea pots @ .10	.20
1	Gravy dish	.10
10	Dessert plates @ .03	.30
12	Cups & Saucers @ .04	.48
1	cream pitcher	.05
1	Sugar Bowl	.05
2	Fruit dishes @ .10	.20

9	Dessert Saucers @ .02	.18
32	Plates @ .05	1.60
2	Butter dishes @ .10	.20
3	Bowls @ .10	.30
1	China T set 36 pieces @ .08	2.88
2	Glass fruit dishes @ .25	.50
		288.39
	Brought forward	288.39
7	Small glass plates @ .05	.35
5	Egg glasses @ .03	.15
20	Wine glasses @ .05	1.00
9	Glass Goblets @ .05	.45
12	Salt cellars @ .07	.84
2	Glass cake stands @ .25	.50
3	" dishes @ .16-2/3	.50
19	Plated spoons @ .02	.38
26	Pieces knives & forks @ .05	1.30
1	Pickle castor	1.00
1	Castor & glasses	1.00
1	Call bell	1.00
1	Coffee Urn	2.50
Kitchen		
1	Doz pieces tin ware @ .05	.60
6	Smoothing irons @ .10	.60
1	Coffee mill	.50
12	Pieces stove ware @ .20	2.40
1	Kitchen Cupboard	2.50
2	" Tables @ 1.00	2.00
3	Wooden seat chairs @ .20	.60
Cellar		
3	Wash tubs @ .25	.75
1	Wash board	.10
1	Clothes Horse	.50
50	ft of hose @ .06	.3.00
1	Hose reel	2.00
		314.91
	Brought forward	314.91
2 Stone Jars @ .10		.20
1	Kitchen safe	.50
1	Saw & Saw buck	.50
3	Coal scuttles @ .10	.30
Servants Room		
1	Beareau	2.00
2	stands @ .25	.50

1	Looking glass (broken)	.25
1	Single bed stead	2.00
6	Yards 2 ply carpet @ .20	1.20
2	Matresses @ 1.00	2.00
2	Pieces bed coverings @ .25	.50
1	Feather pillow	.25
2	chairs @ .20	.40
1	"St Nicholas" sheet iron stove	3.00
Sitting Room		
1	Book case	4.00
1	Sofa	2.00
1	Small table with cover	1.50
2	Cane seat chairs @ .25	.50
2	Rocking chairs @ .50	1.00
1	Eight day clock	3.00
1	Looking glass	2.00
1	Spittoon	.10
2	Jappaned waiters @ .10	.20
20	Yds 3 ply carpet @ .25	5.00
2	Venetian window blinds @ 1.00	2.00
		349.81
	Brought forward	349.81
Bath Room		
1	Settee	1.00
1	Water Cooler	2.00
1	Washstand with Pitcher & bowl	5.00
1	Looking glass	2.00
1	Feather duster .50 1 broom .50 & 1 brush .50	1.50
Back Room		
1	Ward robe	10.00
1	Beareau	10.00
1	Marble top Wash stand	5.00
1	Clothes basket	1.50
2	chairs @ .25	.50
1	Single bedstead	5.00
2	Matresses @ 4.00	8.00
4	Pieces bed covers @ .50	2.00
2	Pillows & 1 Bolster (Feathers) @ .50	1.50
17	Sheets @ .20	3.40
6	Table cloths @ 1.00	6.00
3	Bed spreads @ 1.00	3.00
21	Pieces towelling @ .15	3.15
16	Pillow cases @ .15	2.40
4	Doz napkins @ .50	2.00

1	Piano cover	2.00
11	Bolster covers @ .20	2.20
16	Yds carpet old 3 ply @ .10	1.60
1	foot mat	.25
		430.81
	Brought forward	430.81
Front Room		
1	Bedroom set, Bed, Beareau & Wash Stand	80.00
1	Rosewood Wardrobe	20.00
1	Old Howe Sewing Machine	10.00
1	Rocking chair	2.00
1	Chair	.50
2	Small stands @ .50	1.00
1	Eight day Clock	8.00
1	Plated Ice pitcher & waiter	4.00
1/2	Doz Silver tea spoons @ .50 each	3.00
1	Silver butter knife	.75
1	" Cake knife	1.50
1	" Ladle	2.50
1	Large Silver Spoon	1.50
3	Silver Goblets @ 1.50	4.50
1	Plated Waiter (large)	3.00
32	Yds Brussels carpet @ .40	12.80
1	Spring matress	5.00
2	Matresses @ 5.00	10.00
4	bed coverings @ .75	3.00
2	Feather pillows & 1 Bolster @ 2.50	7.50
6	Mantle ornaments @ .25	1.50
4	Brackets @ .50	2.00
1	Fly Brush	.50
		615.36
	Brought forward	615.36
Back Room - 3rd floor		
1	Wardrobe	5.00
1	Marble top Beareau	5.00
2	Cane seat chairs @ .25	.50
1	Bed stead	10.00
2	Matresses @ 2.00	4.00
4	Bed covers @ .50	2.00
1	Spring Matress	2.00
1	Bolster & 2 Pillows (feathers) @ .75	2.25
1	"Evening home" sheet iron stove	3.00
Front room 3rd floor		
1	Large bed stead	8.00

1	Small bed stead	10.00
1	Marble top Wash stand with Bowl & Pitcher	4.50
1	Slop bowl & 1 chamber @ .25	.50
1	Table & cover	2.00
1	Cast iron stove & pipe	2.00
1	Spring Matress	2.00
2	Matresses @ 2.00	4.00
3	Bed covers @ .50	1.50
1	Bolster & 2 Pillows (feathers) @ 1.00	3.00
2	Pr old Double Blankets @ .50	1.00
1	Small Matress	.75
2	Sheets (small) @ .25	.50
1	Bolster & 2 pillows (small) @ 33-1/3	1.00
9	Comforts @ 1.00	9.00
1	Pr new Blankets	5.00
		703.86
	Brought forward	703.86
3	Blankets @ 1.00	3.00
4	Mosquito bars @ .50	2.00
24	Yds 3 ply Carpet @ .25	6.00
1	Writeing desk	1.50
Miscellaneous		
1	Gold Watch (single case)	20.00
1	Sorrel horse "Tom"	50.00
1	Set old single harness	8.00
1	Old Barouche with shafts	100.00
	Total Appraisement at House	894.36
	" " " Factory	23527.64
	Total Appraisement	24422.00

We, the undersigned, appraisers of the estate of James A. Wright deceased, return the foregoing as our appraisement of said estate; the total amount being Twenty four Thousand, Four Hundred and Twenty Two Dollars ($24422.00/100)

Given under our hands, at the County aforesaid, this 12th day of July 1877.

Theo. Salorgne)
Henry Princker) Appraisers
Robert Dougherty)"

On July 20, 1877, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 12769 a further inventory and appraisement of the estate of James A. Wright was filed showing an estate of personal property valued at over $9,000:

"Inventory of all the Real and Personal Estate of James A. Wright late of the County of St. Louis, deceased, describing the quantity, situation and title of the Real Estate, the books and papers, the debts due or to become due to the deceased, the names of the debtors, the date of the contract, the amount of interest due, and the rate of interest thereon, made by Louisa H Wright Administratrix and Joseph P Wright Admr of said deceased, and Theodore Salorgne and Henry Timken witnesses appointed to aid in making the same.

St. Louis, July 20th 1877

	Cash		
On Hand		96.80	
" deposit in Butchers & Drovers Bank (Suspended)		8397.91	
" " " " " " Draft of W. J. McDaniels (proceeds sepice Collected)		424.75	8919.
	Stocks		
Five shares (Certf. #90) of the Butchers and Drovers Bank Par Value $100.00 each		500.00	
Ten shares (Certf. #105) of the Butchers and Drovers Bank Par Value $100.00 each		1000.00	
One share (Certf #374) of the St Louis Vine & Fruit Growers Association Par Value		100.00	
One share (no lumber) in Hotel at Castelwoods (St Louis Vine & Fruit Growers Association) Par value		25.00	
One Certf #28 Clark's High school Par value		100.00	1725.
	Notes		
Note of Mrs. Cynthia A. Flaherty (secured by deed of trust) dated Jany 24th 1872 due one year after date with interest @ 10% from date	2239.85		
Interest due on same to July 11th 1877	1224.45	3464.30	
Due bill of James Rutherford dated Aug 27th 1875	10.50		
Interest due on same @ 6% to July 11th 1877	1.19	11.69	
Due bill of B. T. White May 13th 1876	55.00		
Int due on same @ 6% to July 11th 1877	3.85	58.85	
		3534.84	
Brought forward		3534.84	

Balance of note of L. S. Reber M.D	175.00	face	
dated June 28th 1875 due 60 days after	80.00	Paid	
date with interest @ 10% from date	95.00		
Interest due on Same to July 11th 1877	29.62		124.62
Note of Charles E. Ware dated Oct 27th 1875			
due Jany 1st 1876 with interest from maturity			
@ 10%	125.00		
Interest due on same to July 11th 77 19.17	144.17		
Due bill of Brooks & Morrison dated May 4th 1877	200.00		
Interest due on same @ 6% to July 11th 1877	2.27		202.27
Note of J. H. Dowell dated May 18th 1877 due 6			
mos after date with interest @ 6% from maturity	530.45		
Int due on same to July 11th 1877	00.00		530.45
Note of George E. Finch dated June 11th 1877			
due 60 days after date with interest @ 10%			
from maturity	150.00		
Interest due on same to July 11th 1877	00.00		150.00
Note of George E. Finch dated June 11th 77 due			
90 days after date with interest @ 10% from			
maturity	175.00		
Interest due on same to July 11th 1877	00.00		175.00
Note of T. C. Dutro dated Sept 14th 1876 due 60			
days after date with interest @ 10% from date	254.10		
Interest due on same to July 11th 1877	21.18		275.28
			5136.63
Brought forward			5136.63
Balance of Allice & E. W. de Barr note dated			
Oct 4th 1876 due 30	100.00	Face of note	
days after date with interest @ 10% from	50.00	paid on "	
maturity	50.00		
Interest due on same July 11th 1877	3.45		53.45
Note of Alice & E. W. de Barr dated Oct 4th			
1876 due 60 days after date with interst @			
10% from date	50.00		
Interest due on same July 11th 1877	3.88		53.88

Note of Alice & E. W. de Barr dated Oct 4th 1876 due 90 days after date with interest @ 10% from date	50.00	
Interest due on same July 11th 1877	3.88	53.88
Note of Alice & E. W. de Barr dated Oct 4th 1876 due 4 Months after date with interest at 10% from date	62.50	
Interest due July 11th 1877 on same	4.84	67.34
Note of Alice & E. W. de Barr dated Oct 4th 1876 due 5 months after date with interest at 10% from date	62.50	
Interest due on same July 11th 1877	4.84	67.34
		5432.52

Collateral held to secure Notes of A & E. W. de Barr - Note of Willet Gardner dated St. Louis Oct 2nd due 6 mos after date with interest from date at the rate of ten% per Annum with deed of trust on Lots Four (4) Five (5) and Six (6) Block Nineteen (19) of Schell City Vernon Co Mo together with the store situated thereon

Brought forward		5432.52	
Balance of Note of Thomas Sanda dated	$100.00		
March 24th 1877 due 1 year after date with	$ 26.00	Paid	
interest from date at the rate of 8% per Annum		74.00	
Interest not Computed			5506.52

Accounts

June 16 1877	Against	Pahlmann & Bro	76.25
June 1 "	"	L. Ashbrook & Co	99.75
July 3 "	"	J. C. Edwards & Co	8.50
June 12 "	"	L. M. Grant	3.50
May 21 "	"	Mrs A. L. Wright	.75
July 9 "	"	George Knapp	64.00
Sept 13 1876	"	James B. Hill	53.25
Aug 21 1876	"	M. D. Heltzell	68.00
May 2 1877	"	James Richardson Jr	5.00
June 7 "	"	James Richardson Sr	5.25
Dec 30 1876	"	Dr E. H. Gregory	60.75
July 9 1877	"	E. J. Crandall	102.00
July 5 "	"	N. J. Colman	15.70
July 10 "	"	Mrs Charles Jones	18.75

June 26 "	"	George D. Hall	1.50
July 11 "	"	Wm T. Christy	97.75
June 1 "	"	Wm McMillan	39.25
May 31 "	"	John McMillan	35.75
June 28 "	"	F. A. Sabine	73.25
June 16 "	"	Robert Reilly	59.75
			888.70
Brought forward			888.70
June 8 1877	Against	Mrs. Joseph Mulhall	49.50
July 5 "	"	McPike & Johnston	7.00
May 31 "	"	O. J. Rule	59.75
June 25 "	"	A. R. Easton	5.00
June 20 "	"	J. S. Waleh	5.25
June 25 "	"	Wm. H. Scudder	6.50
July 10 "	"	John J. Daly	140.25
Jany 2 "	"	John Reel	11.25
Dec 21 "	"	Charles E. Ware	13.00
June 8 "	"	R. S. Carr	11.00
June 13 "	"	B. M. Chambers	490.00
May 26 "	"	Wm R. Haseltine	1.75
June 28 "	"	Charles H. Buck	2.25
June 9 "	"	John B. Gay	59.75
June 2 "	"	G. W. Chadbourne	375.00
June 26 "	"	Wm Smith	7.60
July 6 "	"	Edwin Fowler	8.50
June 14 "	"	J. C. Richardson	5.75
May 24 "	"	North & South Express Co	6.50
July 7 "	"	Wallace Mount	78.98
May 9 "	"	Frederick Woodward	9.50
July 10 "	"	John E. Dwight	13.25
June 1 "	"	Samuel Scaleing	24.25
Apl 12 1873	"	Dr. T. G. Comstock	5.00
July 6 1877	"	T. C. Dutro	8.25
May 1 "	"	Mrs C. A. Flaherty	517.08
Apl 2 "	"	Dan. R. Bissell	5.50
			2816.11
Brought forward			2816.11
Oct 5 1876	Against	J. C. Kelly	9.00
May 22 1877	"	Edward Dierkes	1.00
May 22 "	"	J. H. Dowell	4.00
June 13 "	"	Dr Wm Webb	51.00
Dec 22 1876	"	Mrs Beverly Allen	12.25
Oct 20 1876	"	A. Solhnig & Co	7.00
Mrch 31 1877	"	Jas S. Farrar	.75

May 28	"	"	Nathan Coleman	70.75
Dec 15 1876		"	J. H. Parker	8.00
June 20 1877		"	Eldridge Goddard	47.50
May 29 1876		"	Dr S. S. Reber	.75
Aug 5	"	"	E. O. Harris	5.75
Mch 5 1877		"	Turner & Penney	4.00
May 28	"	"	Monroe Millers Consignment	1054.00
Mrch 6	"	"	H. A. Fleischmann	155.00
May 18	"	"	C. O. Dutcher	11.25
Dec 16 1876		"	Wm H. Gregg	.50
May 4 1877		"	Werner & Abel	42.75
July 7	"	"	Joseph Mulhall Jr	105.00
May 10	"	"	J. B. M. Kehlor	106.25
Jany 10	"	"	John A. Watson	144.75
May 28	"	"	Geo. W. Cole	32.00
July 9	"	"	Wm Bryan	5.00
Apl 18	"	"	- Mallincrodt	1.00
May 8	"	"	David B. Gould	7.00
July 11	"	"	Dan. E. Walsh	3.25
June 18	"	"	J. C. Creveling	1.75
				4707.36
Brought forward				4707.36
May 26 1877		Against	John Firm	4.25
May 31	"	"	Edward Mead	8.25
June 21	"	"	Dr R. J. Reilly	49.50
May 26	"	"	J. H. Terment	8.25
Sept 26 1876		"	Mrs Charles Bobb	1.25
July 7 1877		"	George Henderson	6.50
Nov 27 1876		"	Mrs Dr Tandy	5.75
Dec 12 1876		"	James L. Patterson	2.00
June 23 1877		"	Capt W. F. Davidson	30.25
July 11	"	"	Mrs Dalton	6.25
Apl 4	"	"	Dr Gaston Soulard	350.00
June 20	"	"	C. B. Record	.75
May 7	"	"	G. S. Van Waggoner	20.25
May 24	"	"	Abbey Coal & Mining Co.	1.75
May 31	"	"	Rev. W. H. Brantner	3.00
June 14	"	"	R. Graham Trust	31.25
June 16	"	"	Bennett & Miller	554.00
June 16	"	"	D. Crawford & Co	325.00
July 11	"	"	N. S. Choteau	8.75
June 17 1876		"	Dr P. V. Schenck	46.50
Oct 20	"	"	A. McKinley	27.75

Dec 21 1875	"	Zach Vandeveer	181.50
Dec 11, 1875	"	Dr. W. S. Barker	40.60
Mch 2 1877	"	A. M. McClenny	9.00
Jany 4	" "	Fallon & Wright	13.57
Oct 18 1875	"	J. F. Walton Balance on) Note of Joseph G. Harris) now in suit in Circuit Court)	25.00
			6468.28
Brought forward			6468.28
Dec 31 1875	Against	John R. Christian note of) J. P & J. B. Porter in his) hands for Collection)	350.00
Mch 19 1877	"	George B. Morgan	1.00
July 22 1876	"	Garland & Green claims) against following parties for) following Amounts in their) hands for collection W. P &) E. C. Crafton note)	402.30
		Sol. Johnson Acct.)	305.00
		J. T. Newman Note Bal.)	250.00
Apl 23 1877	"	J. G. Woerner	7.75
Feby 5 1876	"	Porter White	1.50
May 30 1877	"	R. Dougherty & Bro	8.40
Apl 21 1877	"	Jas P. Early	6.00
June 26	" "	J. A. J. Shultz	6.50
Apl 25	" "	Saml. D. Warren	7.25
Feby 24	" "	James D. Lucas	46.00
June 18	" "	Rev Smith	5.50
May 31	" "	R. P. Lindsay	6.25
May 21	" "	Rev. M. W. Tobyn	25.00
Sept 26 1876	"	Moses Meyers	49.25
July 6 1877	"	Thomas Maxwell	3.75
May 28	" "	Geo T. Tower	.25
May 14	" "	H. M. Post	6.00
May 31	" "	D. Frank Clark	7.00
June 27	" "	H. Klopfer	69.25
July 11	" "	F. H. Logerman	332.50
			8364.73
Brought forward			8364.73
June 13 1877	Against	P. P. Green	15.75
Mch 28	" "	Robert Clark	43.50
Apl 12	" "	J. T. Miller	325.00
June 22	" "	C. L. Buschmann	2.00
June 2	" "	B. F. Clement	39.00

May 14	"	"	Wm A. Rule	115.00	
May 15	"	"	P. S. Marquis	47.75	
May 15	"	"	Mrs John Marshall	65.25	
May 28	"	"	Dr S. C. Purkitt	26.50	
July 10	"	"	St Louis Railway Co	.25	
May 31	"	"	Vienna Model Bakery	3.00	
June 2	"	"	Dr S. Nidelet	4.50	
June 13	"	"	R. W. Allison	9.75	
June 19	"	"	M. D. Scruggs	7.50	
June 23	"	"	Sisters of St Joseph	100.00	
July 7	"	"	Geo R. Jacobs	1.50	9170.98

Real Estate

All that certain lot or parcel of ground and the buildings and improvements thereon. Situate in the City and County of St Louis and State of Missouri in Block No one hundred and eighteen (118) of said City. Beginning at a point on the South side of St Charles Street, distant Sixty three feet and nine inches from the Southwest corner of Fifth and St Charles streets, running thence West along the Southside of St Charles Street Thirty three feet and nine inches, thence running Southwardly and parallel with Fifth Street Eighty five feet and four inches thence Eastwardly and parallel with St Charles Street thirty three feet and nine inches, thence Northwardly parallel with Fifth Street Eighty-five feet and four inches to the place of beginning, being a lot or parcel of ground conveyed by Wesley Fallon and wife by deed dated the First day of January Eighteen hundred and sixty two to James A Wright and recorded in the office of the Recorder of Deeds of St Louis County in Book 263, Page 238, Above lot has on it a two story Building. The premises are renting for $1800.00 per Annum

The following described lot or parcel of ground Lying and being in Block Numbered Nine hundred and seventy seven (977) of the City of St Louis in the County of St Louis and State of Missouri to wit: Lot numbered thirty one (31) of Block numbered twelve (12) of Stoddard Addition as laid down and designated on the recorded plat of said addition. Said lot contains twenty five (25) feet front on the South line of Dayton street, and a depth Southwardly the same width of One hundred and eighteen feet three inches (118' 3") to an alley"

On August 31, 1877, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 12769 a bill for the funeral of James A. Wright was filed:

"St. Louis July 1st 1877
The Estate of James A. Wright Decd.
To Geo. N. Lynch, Dr.
Undertaker,
No. 608 Olive Street, Between Sixth and Seventh.

To metallic casket satin lined plated handles,) plate & engraving, plated cross & box)	$150.00
" Hearse & 25 Carriages to Car.	135.00
" 10 pr 7.50 silk gloves, 2-1/3 piece 4.50 crape & 2 door badges	15.00
" digging grave & delivery of box at Co	6.50
" washing dressing & removing corpse	10.00
" use of ice box & ice	10.00
" 3 pieces crape for hands	4.50
	$331.00

Received Payment Augt. 31st 1877 of Joseph P. Wright Admr.

Geo. N. Lynch"

On October 19, 1892, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 12769 receipts were filed by the heirs of James A. Wright:

"St. Louis October 19th 1892

Received from Louisa H. and Joseph P. Wright Administrators Three hundred and twenty nine 96/100 Dollars being my proportion of distribution of Cash belonging to Estate of James A. Wright as per order of Court this day.

$329.96/100 John B. Wright"

"St. Louis October 19th 1892

Received from Louisa H. and Joseph P. Wright Administrators Three hundred and twenty nine 96/100 Dollars being my proportion of distribution of Cash belonging to Estate of James A. Wright as per order of Court this day.

$329.96/100 Frank L Wright"

"St. Louis October 19th 1892

Received from Louisa H and Joseph P. Wright Administrators Three hundred and twenty nine 96/100 Dollars being my proportion of distribution of Cash belonging to Estate of James A. Wright as per order of Court this day.

$329.96/100 Joseph P. Wright"

"Received from Louisa H and Joseph P. Wright Administrators Six hundred and ninety nine 50/100 Dollars my proportion of distribution of Cash belonging to Estate of James A. Wright as per order of Court this date.

$693.50/100 Louisa H Wright"

"St. Louis October 19th 1892

Received from Louisa H and Joseph P. Wright Administrators Three hundred and twenty nine 96/100 Dollars being my proportion of distribution of Cash belonging to Estate of James A. Wright as per order of Court this day.

$329.96/100 Cora E. W. Nugent"

In his letters dated October 29, 1981, and October 26, 1981, James W. Robinson enclosed family group sheets which stated that James Anthony Wright was a son of 1829 Joseph F. Wright and Cynthia (Belcher) Wright, was born on February 18, 1819, at Franklin County, Virginia, married Louisa Potter on December 30, 1851, at St. Louis, Missouri, and died on June 29, 1877, at St. Louis, Missouri, that Louisa Hanna (Potter) Wright was born on December 10, 1829, at St. Charles, Missouri, and that they had the following children:

1) Joseph Potter Wright, born on October 28, 1852, at St. Louis, Missouri,
2) Frank Louis Wright, born on July 18, 1854, at St. Louis Missouri,
3) Tiery James Wright, born on May 10, 1856, at St. Louis, Missouri,
4) James Henry Wright, born on February 5, 1858 at St. Louis, Missouri,
5) Louisa "Lulu" Lillian Wright, born on February 26, 1862, at St. Louis, Missouri,
6) John Belcher Wright, born on August 14, 1864, at St. Louis, Missouri, and

7) Corine Elizabeth (Wright) Nugent, born on November 13, 1867, at St. Louis, Missouri.

Mr. Robinson also provided copies of a biographical sketch of James A. Wright from a printed, but unidentified source, and an obituary of James A. Wright dated 1877 copied by Mr. Thomas Nugent, but with the source not identified. The biographical sketch provided as follows:

> "Wright, James Anthony, manufacturer, was born in Virginia, February 18, 1819, son of Joseph and Cynthia Wright. Of English origin, the Wright family came to the United States at an early date and the parents of James A. Wright removed from Virginia to Missouri in the year 1821. Coming to St. Louis, they settled on a farm adjoining the farm of Colonel Frederick Dent, the father-in-law of General U. S. Grant, and on this farm their son lived during the earlier years of his life. He was educated at St. Louis Universty and then served an apprenticeship to the business of carriage building with the old-time carriage manufacturing firm of Carter & Powers, who occupied a factory located at the corner of Broadway and Locust street, on the site of the present Mercantile Library Building. In 1845 he engaged in the manufacture of carriages on his own account, associating himself at that time with Wesley Fallon in the firm of Fallon & Wright, which established its factory at the corner of Second street and Washington Avenue. Their buildings at that location were destroyed by fire after a time and they re-opened a new factory at the corner of Broadway and St. Charles street. At that location Mr. Fallon and Mr. Wright continued to be associated together in business until the year 1861. Mr. Wright then withdrew from the firm and established a carriage factory of his own at the corner of Broadway and Morgan streets, where he continued to do business until his death, which occurred June 29, 1877, and resulted from injuries received by being thrown from a carriage in a runaway accident. The manufacturing business which he built up was not only one of large proportions, but one which made his name well known throughout the entire Western country by reason of the excellence of the products sent out from his factory and bearing his name. This business it still carried on by his sons under the name of the James A. Wright & Sons Carriage Company, the present location of their factory and salesrooms being at the corner of Washington Avenue and Nineteenth street. As a manufacturer and business man, Mr. Wright was widely known, but in this sense only was he a public man. While he was always a pronounced Democrat in political affiliation, he declined to take any active part in the conduct of political campaigns, to stand as a candidate for or to fill any public office. He had a marked fondness for music, and in early life was for some years a member of the choir of the Methodist church located at the corner of Fourth street and Washington Avenue and had something to do with church work in this connection, although he was not identified with any church organization as a member. The charitable work of church and other

organizations, however, appealed to him strongly and found in him a warm friend and liberal donor. He married, in 1851, Miss Louisa H. Potter, who survives her husband. The father of Mrs. Wright was Colonel John C. Potter, who came to St. Louis from Boston during the war of 1812, and in the maternal line, she is descended from Emilien Yosti, who came to this country with the Spanish army of occupation, which took possession of the Province of Louisiana when France ceded it to Spain. Yosti married Theodiste Durand, whose parents, John B. Durand and Josepha Marcheteau, where the tenth couple wedded in St. Louis.

Mr. Wright left three sons and one daughter of whom Joseph P., Frank L. and Cora F. - the last named being now wife of Charles W. Nugent are living; the other son, John B., died in September, 1896."

The James A. Wright obituary provided as follows:

"James A. Wright died on June 29, 1877 at an age of 59. His death was caused by an accident. He was one of the oldest carriage manufacturers of St. Louis, Mo.

Mr. James A Wright, whose death we notice above, was born near Lynchburg, Va., in Franklin County, on the 19th of February 1819. In the fall of 1820, when he was about 18 months of age, he, with his parents with household goods and all they possessed of worldly goods removed in one of the old fashioned traveling wagons to the then small but thriving village of St. Louis, where they settled on a farm in the suburbs and where his early years were spent. Having lost both his father and mother at the age of 14 he apprenticed himself to Mr. Samuel Mount at that time the leading carriage builder of St. Louis. His duties in the factory were various and after working in nearly all of the departments he finally settled down in the paint shop where he stayed until he finished his trade training. In those days, the boys boarded with their boss, and after their work was over in the shop they had to do the chores of the house, drive up the cows, split wood and etc. Mr. Mount retiring from the business Mr. Wright, at the age of 16, re-engaged by the new owner Mess'rs Carter & Power from New Haven, Conn., and remained with them until he finished his appreticeship, or rather, until he became of age making his apprecticeship seven years. After becoming a Journeyman, he worked for several years in the factories of St. Louis meeting with the successes and reverses that still assail the painter. During a dull season he went south to New Orleans and worked there one winter in Denmans (Carriage) Repository. From there he went to Nashville, Winchester and other towns of Tennessee. Abouth the last of the year 1846 he received a letter from Mr. Wesley Fallon asking him to return to St. Louis. He purchased the interest of Mr. George Bailey, at that time a partner of Mr. Fallons and on the first day of January, 1847, the new firm of Fallon and Wright was formed with their factory on Second Street between Washington Avenue and Vine Streets. After two years of fair success their place was burned out and as

they had not a dollars worth of insurance they had to commence anew. This they did immediately in a small way by the assistance of friends and re-established themselves on 5th Street between Locust and St. Charles Streets at that time the most fashionable residence portion of the City. By constant attention to business their trade increased until the name of Fallon & Wright became widely known and of itself was a sufficient guarantee of the excellence of any buggy or carriage that bore it. After an exsistance of exactly 15 years the firm of Fallon & Wright was dissolved, Mr. Wright retiring and remaining out of business for two years when he resumed at 809 & 811 North 5th Street, building up a trade and name of the firm being James A. Wright & Sons, under which name his sons will continue the business.

Mr. Wright met his death by being thrown from a buggy on the evening of June 28th, while trying a horse which his sons contemplated purchasing. He lingered unconsious until early on the morning of the 29th when he expired. He was missed by all who knew him and from his long residence in St. Louis and his extended business he was widely known. The following extract from an editorial in one of the St. Louis newspapers will suffice to show the high estimation in which he was held by his employees and his friends, for his strict integrity and honorable life. Mr. Wright was married Dec. 30, 1851, to Miss Louisa Hanna Potter, a decendant of some of the earliest settlers of St. Louis, who survives him. He also leaves, besides the two sons who were engaged in business with him, a son and daughter aged respectively 12 and 9 years."

vi. <u>1873 Wiley S. Wright, His Wife "Nannie" (Malin) Wright, And His Descendants</u>

1873 Wiley S. Wright was a son of 1829 Joseph F. Wright of Missouri and Cynthia (Belcher) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1849 Thomas[3], 1829 Joseph F.[4])

On May 27, 1829, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 Cynthia Wright executed her declaration that Wiley S. Wright was one of the nine heirs of Joseph Wright and that she then resided in St. Louis County, Missouri:

". . . .

This day personally appeared before me, the undersigned, clerk of the County Court, for the county of St. Louis, the undersigned Cynthia Wright who, being by me duly sworn, upon her oath saith that to the best of her knowledge there are nine heirs of Joseph Wright deceased now in being to wit, Malinda Briggs, Tiery T. Wright, Leatetia Wright, Elizabeth Green Wright, James Anthony Wright, Wilie

S. Wright, Virginia P. Wright, William P. Wright & Julia Ann Wright, residing is S Louis County . . . .

Henry Chouteau Cynthia X Wright
mark"

On August 14, 1832, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 Tiery Wright executed his declaration that Wylie S. Wright was one of the nine heirs of Joseph Wright and that she then resided in St. Louis County, Missouri:

". . . .

This day personally appeared before me, the Clerk of the County Court, for the county of St. Louis, the undersigned, Tiery Wright who, being by me duly sworn, upon his oath saith that to the best of his knowledge there are heirs of Joseph Wright deceased now in being, to wit; Malinda Briggs, Tiery T Wright, Leatetia Wright, Elizabeth Green Wright, James A Wright, Wylie S. Wright Virginia P Wright, William P Wright and Julia Ann Wright, residing in St Louis County . . . .

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this fourteenth day of August 1832

Henry Chouteau Tiery Wright
Clerk"

The will of 1849 Thomas Wright dated October 20, 1843, and probated on August 6, 1849, at Franklin County, Virginia, W.B. 7/79 listed Wiley S. Wright as one of Joseph Wright's children:

. . . . Item 3rd I give unto my grand children the heirs of Joseph Wright deceased six hundred dollars to be equally divided amongst them or the survivors or their heirs that is 1/7 to the heirs of Malinda Breggs 1/7 to Tyree Wright. 1/7 to Latitia Gerard 1/7 to James A Wright 1/7 to Wiley S. Wright . . . ."

On December 9, 1850, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 21/473 the heirs of Joseph Wright appointed Solomon Wright their attorney in fact to deal with the estate:

"Know all men by these presents that whereas Thomas Wright the Elder late of of the County of Franklin and State of Virginia deceased by his his last Will and Testament did give and bequeath unto his Grand children the heirs of Joseph Wright deceased, the sum of six hundred dollars to be equally divided among them, or the survivors of them or their heirs that is to say, the sum of six hundred dollars to be divided as follows, to wit: 1/7 to the heirs of Melinda Briggs 1/7 to Tyree Wright 1/7 to Letitia Gerard 1/7 to James A. Wright 1/7 to Wiley S. Wright

1/7 to Virginia P. Wright 1/7 to Julia A. Wright or their heirs forever, to be paid unto them by the Executor of the said Thomas Wright the Elder deceased of which last Will and Testament, Robert P. Wright is the Executor as in and by said Will and Testament may appear. And whereas the Judge of the St Louis Probate Court has appointed Curators for the Estates of Cynthia Briggs, Mary Jane Briggs and Eliza Briggs, who are the sole heirs of the said Malinda Briggs deceased, that is to say has appointed James A. Wright Curator of the Estate of the said Cynthia Briggs and John Napp Curator of the Estates of the said Mary Jane and Eliza Briggs, as will appear by the certificates of the Judge and Clerk of said Court (in due form of law) under seal of said Court, hereto annexed. And whereas Virginia P. and Julia A. Wright are both lawfully married - Virginia P. to John Knapp and Julia A. to William Mount as will appear by the copies from the Book of Marriages in the recorders office of St Louis County, hereto annexed, certified by the said recorder under his seal. Now Know Ye that we the said James A Wright, Wiley S. Wright, Letitia Gerard, John Knapp and Virginia P. his wife, Julia A. wife of said William Mount & Cynthia Briggs, by her curator James A. Wright and Mary Jane and Eliza Briggs, by their curator John Knapp, Have made Ordained constituted and appointed, Solomon Wright of the County of ____ and State of Virginia, our true and lawful attorney, for us, and in our names, and for our use and benefit, to ask, demand, and receive of and from the said Robert P. Wright Executor the legacies given and bequeathed unto us by the said Will of the said Thomas Wright the elder, as aforesaid, and upon receipt thereof by or payment thereof to, and said Attorney, a general release or discharge for the same to make, Execute, and deliver, hereby ratifying, confirming and allowing whatsoever our said Attorney shall lawfully do in the premises. In Witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and seals this Ninth day of December A. D. 1850 at the City of St Louis and State of Missouri.

James A. Wright
Wiley S. Wright
Letitia Gerarde
Julia A. Mount
John Knapp
Virginia P. Knapp
John Knapp
Curator of Mary Jane & Eliza Briggs
James A. Wright
Curator of Cynthia Ann Briggs

State of Missouri)
County of Saint Louis) SS.

I John H. Watson a Commissioner appointed by the Governor of the State of Virginia, for the State of Missouri certify that James A. Wright, Wiley S. Wright,

Letitia Gerarde Julia A Mount and John Knapp, whose names are signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the Ninth day of December Eighteen hundred and fifty, have acknowledged the same before me in my State of Missouri aforesaid on this 9' day of December A. D. 1850. And I further certify that John Knapp as Curator of Mary Jane and Elisa Briggs whose name is signed as such to the said annexed writing, acknowledged the same as said Curator, at the same time, before me; and I further certify that James A. Wright, as Curator of Cynthia Ann Briggs, whose name is signed as such to the said annexed writing, acknowledged the same as said Curator, at the same time, before me. Given under my hand this ninth day of December A. D. 1850

Jno. H. Watson
Commissioner of Virginia
for the State of Missouri

. . . ."

In his letters dated October 29, 1981, and October 26, 1981, James W. Robinson enclosed family group sheets which stated that Wiley S. Wright was a son of 1829 Joseph F. Wright and Cynthia (Belcher) Wright, was born on July 13, 1821, at Virginia, and married "Nannie" Malin in 1863, at the Laclede Hotel, St. Louis, Missouri, and died on November 5, 1873, that "Nannie" (Malin) Wright was born between 1850 and 1855, and died on February 10, 1924, and that they had the following children:

1) Anna (Wright) Hazeltine, and

2) ____ Wright.

Mr. Robinson also enclosed an obituary of Wiley S. Wright dated 1873 and copied by Thomas F. Nugent in December 1966, but without identifying the source, although it is probably from a St. Louis newspaper:

"Mr. Wiley S. Wright, the subject of this sketch, was the son of Joseph and Cynthia A. Wright who emigrated from Virginia to this county, where he was born July 13, 1821. Left an orphan at an early age and having to depend solely on his own exertions he apprenticed himself to learn the "tinning" trade which business he followed until March 1849, when he associated himself with Mr. Charles H. Buck, establishing the firm of Buck & Wright as stove dealers. Their trade steadily increasing they found it adviseable to manufacture in St. Louis and in 1857 erected the Eclipse Stove Works.

The firm of Buck & Wright have for nearly a quarter of a century been noted throughout the land for strict integrity and honorable business dealing, and have by industry and enterprise accumulated considerable wealth becoming identified

with the growth and prosperity of St. Louis. It was probably the oldest firm in the City that had experienced no change in members since its organization. I understand that throughout all these years no written contracts or agreements have ever existed between the partners their confidence in each other's honor being deemed fully sufficient, and it being thought adviseable in order to simplify the settleing of Mr. Wright's estate that he should transfer his interest to Mr. Buck, the parties met during his last illness came to an understanding and perfected all necessary arrangements in less than ten minutes. A transaction that exhibets the confidence and highly honorable sentiments existing between them.

Mr. Wright was married in 1863 to a daughter of Captain Malin of the Laclede Hotel who with two children survies him. He has two sisters and two brothers still living, the widow of the late John B. Girard, Mrs. John Knapp and Mr. James A. Wright, of St. Louis, and Mr. Tiery T. Wright of Sacramento, California. St. Louis has lost a citizen and we have all lost a friend that cannot be replaced. Kind and affable, strictly upright in all his business and social relations he was respected and beloved by all who knew him and his loss will be felt and mourned by all who have had the pleasure of his acquaintance. His bereaved wife and family have the heartfelt sympathy of the community in their hour of affliction and may He who tempers the wind to the shorn lamb and numbers the hairs of our heads watch tenderly over those thus deprived of their earthly support and protector."

vii. Virginia P. (Wright) Knapp And Her Husband John Knapp

Virginia P. (Wright) Knapp was a daughter of 1829 Joseph F. Wright of Missouri and Cynthia (Belcher) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1849 Thomas[3], 1829 Joseph F.[4])

On May 27, 1829, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 Cynthia Wright executed her declaration that Virginia P. Wright was one of the nine heirs of Joseph Wright and that she then resided in St. Louis County, Missouri:

". . . .

This day personally appeared before me, the undersigned, clerk of the County Court, for the county of St. Louis, the undersigned Cynthia Wright who, being by me duly sworn, upon her oath saith that to the best of her knowledge there are nine heirs of Joseph Wright deceased now in being to wit, Malinda Briggs, Tiery T. Wright, Leatetia Wright, Elizabeth Green Wright, James Anthony Wright,

Wilie S. Wright, Virginia P. Wright, William P. Wright & Julia Ann Wright, residing is S Louis County . . . .

Henry Chouteau Cynthia X Wright
mark"

On August 14, 1832, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 Tiery Wright executed his declaration that Virginia P. Wright was one of the nine heirs of Joseph Wright and that she then resided in St. Louis County, Missouri:

". . . .

This day personally appeared before me, the Clerk of the County Court, for the county of St. Louis, the undersigned, Tiery Wright who, being by me duly sworn, upon his oath saith that to the best of his knowledge there are heirs of Joseph Wright deceased now in being, to wit; Malinda Briggs, Tiery T Wright, Leatetia Wright, Elizabeth Green Wright, James A Wright, Wylie S. Wright Virginia P Wright, William P Wright and Julia Ann Wright, residing in St Louis County . . . .

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this fourteenth day of August 1832

Henry Chouteau Tiery Wright
Clerk"

The will of 1849 Thomas Wright dated October 20, 1843, and probated on August 6, 1849, at Franklin County, Virginia, W.B. 7/79 listed Virginia P. Wright as one of Joseph Wright's children:

. . . . Item 3rd I give unto my grand children the heirs of Joseph Wright deceased six hundred dollars to be equally divided amongst them or the survivors or their heirs that is 1/7 to the heirs of Malinda Breggs 1/7 to Tyree Wright. 1/7 to Latitia Gerard 1/7 to James A Wright 1/7 to Wiley S. Wright 1/7 to Virginia P. Wright . . . ."

On December 9, 1850, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 21/473 the heirs of Joseph Wright appointed Solomon Wright their attorney in fact to deal with the estate:

"Know all men by these presents that whereas Thomas Wright the Elder late of of the County of Franklin and State of Virginia deceased by his his last Will and Testament did give and bequeath unto his Grand children the heirs of Joseph Wright deceased, the sum of six hundred dollars to be equally divided among them, or the survivors of them or their heirs that is to say, the sum of six hundred dollars to be divided as follows, to wit: 1/7 to the heirs of Melinda Briggs 1/7 to

Tyree Wright 1/7 to Letitia Gerard 1/7 to James A. Wright 1/7 to Wiley S. Wright 1/7 to Virginia P. Wright 1/7 to Julia A. Wright or their heirs forever, to be paid unto them by the Executor of the said Thomas Wright the Elder deceased of which last Will and Testament, Robert P. Wright is the Executor as in and by said Will and Testament may appear. And whereas the Judge of the St Louis Probate Court has appointed Curators for the Estates of Cynthia Briggs, Mary Jane Briggs and Eliza Briggs, who are the sole heirs of the said Malinda Briggs deceased, that is to say has appointed James A. Wright Curator of the Estate of the said Cynthia Briggs and John Napp Curator of the Estates of the said Mary Jane and Eliza Briggs, as will appear by the certificates of the Judge and Clerk of said Court (in due form of law) under seal of said Court, hereto annexed. And whereas Virginia P. and Julia A. Wright are both lawfully married - Virginia P. to John Knapp and Julia A. to William Mount as will appear by the copies from the Book of Marriages in the recorders office of St Louis County, hereto annexed, certified by the said recorder under his seal. Now Know Ye that we the said James A Wright, Wiley S. Wright, Letitia Gerard, John Knapp and Virginia P. his wife, Julia A. wife of said William Mount & Cynthia Briggs, by her curator James A. Wright and Mary Jane and Eliza Briggs, by their curator John Knapp, Have made Ordained constituted and appointed, Solomon Wright of the County of ____ and State of Virginia, our true and lawful attorney, for us, and in our names, and for our use and benefit, to ask, demand, and receive of and from the said Robert P. Wright Executor the legacies given and bequeathed unto us by the said Will of the said Thomas Wright the elder, as aforesaid, and upon receipt thereof by or payment thereof to, and said Attorney, a general release or discharge for the same to make, Execute, and deliver, hereby ratifying, confirming and allowing whatsoever our said Attorney shall lawfully do in the premises. In Witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and seals this Ninth day of December A. D. 1850 at the City of St Louis and State of Missouri.

James A. Wright
Wiley S. Wright
Letitia Gerarde
Julia A. Mount
John Knapp
Virginia P. Knapp
John Knapp
Curator of Mary Jane & Eliza Briggs
James A. Wright
Curator of Cynthia Ann Briggs

. . . .

State of Missouri)
County of Saint Louis) SS.

I Jno. H. Watson, a Commissioner appointed by the Governor of the State of Virginia, for the State of Missouri do hereby certify that Virginia P. Knapp, the wife of John Knapp, whose names are signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the ninth day of December A. D. Eighteen hundred and fifty, personally appeared before me in the County aforesaid, on the Ninth day of December A. D. 1850 and being examined by me privily and apart from her husband and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Virginia P. Knapp, acknowledged the said writing to be her act and declared that she had willingly executed the same and does not wish to retract it. Given under my hand this ninth day of December A. D. 1850

Jno. H. Watson
Commissioner of Virginia
for the State of Missouri

. . . ."

On August 16, 1856, at Roanoke County, Virginia, D.B. E/609 James A. Wright, Letitia Girard, Virginia P. Knapp and her husband John Knapp, Julia A. Mount and her husband William Mount, Mary Jane Dunn and her husband John Dunn, and Eliza M. Briggs, all of St. Louis County, Missouri, appointed Joel M. Wright to act for them in connection with the estate of 1849 Thomas Wright:

"Know all men by these presents that we the undersigned, James A. Wright, Letitia Girard, Virginia P. Knapp and John Knapp, her husband, John A. Mount and William Mount her husband, Mary J. Dunn and John Dunn her husband, and Eliza Briggs, all of the County of St. Louis and state of Missouri, heirs of the late Thomas Wright, late of the County of Franklin and State of Virginia, and of the late Solomon Wright late of the County of Roanoke and state of Virginia, have made, constituted, and appointed, and do by these presents make, constitute, and appoint Joel M. Wright of the County of Roanoke, aforesaid, our true and lawful attorney for us and in our names, places, and stead, to receive from any and all persons from whom the same may be due, or who may have charge or possession of the same, any and all moneys which may be due, or which shall hereinafter become due, to us as heirs of the aforesaid Thomas Wright and Solomon Wright or either of them to take such legal measures as may be necessary for the collection of the same, and also to sign, execute and deliver in our names good and valid receipts and acquitances for all such monys so received and also to perform all such legal acts as may be necessary in those premises, and which we ourselves might do if personally present. And we further empower our said attorney to remit and pay over all moneys so received

to James A. Wright of the City and County of St. Louis and state of Missouri hereby ratifying and confirming all acts which our said Attorney shall perform by authority of these presents. In testimony whereof we have hereto set our hands and seals.

Witness
James B. Goff

James A. Wright
Latitia Girard
Julia A. Mount
William Mount
Virginia P. Knapp
John Knapp
Mary Jane Dunn
John Dunn
Eliza M. Briggs

City & County of St. Louis)
State of Missouri)

I James B. Goff, a commissioner within and for the State of Missouri, duly commissioned and authorized by the Governor of the State of Virginia to take the acknowledgement of Deed or other instrument of writing, to be ____ or recorded in said State of Virginia, hereby certify that on the 16 day of August 1856 James A Wright, Latitia Girard, Julia A Mount, William Mount John Knapp, and Virginia P. Knapp, who are to me severally known to be the same persons whose signatures are affixed to the foregoing instrument of writing as parties thereto, personally appeared before me and acknowledged the same to be their act and deed, for the purposes therein specified - the said Julia & Virginia having been first examined apart from their husbands. In witness whereof I have hereto set my hand and seal of office in the City of St Louis aforesaid the day & year above written

James B. Goff,
Commissioner for Virginia

State of Missouri)
City & County of St. Louis)

I, James B Goff, a Commissioner within and for the State of Missouri, duly commissioned & authorized by the Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia to take acknowledgements of deeds and other instruments of writing to be ____ and recorded in said State of Virginia hereby certify that on the 27' day of August 1856 Eliza M Briggs and Mary Jane Dunn - and on the 28' day of August 1856 John Dunn who are severally known to me to be the same persons whose names are signed to the foregoing instrument of writing as parties thereto,

personally appeared before me and acknowledged the same to be their act and deed for the purposes therein specified, Mary Jane Dunn having been examined apart from her husband

Witness my hand and affixed seal this 28' day of August 1856

James B Goff, Comr for Virginia

In the clerk's office of the County Court of Roanoke the 18' day of November 1856 this power of attorney from James A Wright and others to Joel M Wright was delivered to me and with the certificate thereon written admitted to record

Teste
F. Johnston C"

In his letters dated October 29, 1981, and October 26, 1981, James W. Robinson enclosed family group sheets which stated that Virginia P. Wright was a daughter of 1829 Joseph F. Wright and Cynthia (Belcher) Wright, was born on February 9, 1824, married John Knapp on April 22, 1856, at St. Louis, Missouri, and died in September 1920.

viii. 1834 William Parnell Wright

1834 William Parnell Wright was a son of 1829 Joseph F. Wright of Missouri and Cynthia (Belcher) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1849 Thomas[3], 1829 Joseph F.[4])

On May 27, 1829, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 Cynthia Wright executed her declaration that William P. Wright was one of the nine heirs of Joseph Wright and that she then resided in St. Louis County, Missouri:

". . . .

This day personally appeared before me, the undersigned, clerk of the County Court, for the county of St. Louis, the undersigned Cynthia Wright who, being by me duly sworn, upon her oath saith that to the best of her knowledge there are nine heirs of Joseph Wright deceased now in being to wit, Malinda Briggs, Tiery T. Wright, Leatetia Wright, Elizabeth Green Wright, James Anthony Wright,

Wilie S. Wright, Virginia P. Wright, William P. Wright & Julia Ann Wright, residing is S Louis County . . . .

Henry Chouteau Cynthia X mark" Wright

On August 14, 1832, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 Tiery Wright executed his declaration that William P. Wright was one of the nine heirs of Joseph Wright and that she then resided in St. Louis County, Missouri:

". . . .

This day personally appeared before me, the Clerk of the County Court, for the county of St. Louis, the undersigned, Tiery Wright who, being by me duly sworn, upon his oath saith that to the best of his knowledge there are heirs of Joseph Wright deceased now in being, to wit; Malinda Briggs, Tiery T Wright, Leatetia Wright, Elizabeth Green Wright, James A Wright, Wylie S. Wright Virginia P Wright, William P Wright and Julia Ann Wright, residing in St Louis County . . . .

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this fourteenth day of August 1832

Henry Chouteau Tiery Wright
Clerk"

In his letters dated October 29, 1981, and October 26, 1981, James W. Robinson enclosed family group sheets which stated that William Parnell Wright was a son of 1829 Joseph F. Wright and Cynthia (Belcher) Wright, was born on December 13, 1825, and died on October 16, 1834.

ix. Julia Ann (Wright) Mount And Her Husband William Mount

Julia Ann (Wright) Mount was a daughter of 1829 Joseph F. Wright of Missouri and Cynthia (Belcher) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1849 Thomas[3], 1829 Joseph F.[4])

On May 27, 1829, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 Cynthia Wright executed her declaration that Julia Ann Wright was one of the nine heirs of Joseph Wright and that she then resided in St. Louis County, Missouri:

". . . .

This day personally appeared before me, the undersigned, clerk of the County Court, for the county of St. Louis, the undersigned Cynthia Wright who, being by me duly sworn, upon her oath saith that to the best of her knowledge there are nine heirs of Joseph Wright deceased now in being to wit, Malinda Briggs, Tiery T. Wright, Leatetia Wright, Elizabeth Green Wright, James Anthony Wright, Wilie S. Wright, Virginia P. Wright, William P. Wright & Julia Ann Wright, residing is S Louis County . . . .

Henry Chouteau Cynthia X mark" Wright

On August 14, 1832, at St. Louis County, Missouri, Probate File 832 Tiery Wright executed his declaration that Julia Ann Wright was one of the nine heirs of Joseph Wright and that she then resided in St. Louis County, Missouri:

". . . .

This day personally appeared before me, the Clerk of the County Court, for the county of St. Louis, the undersigned, Tiery Wright who, being by me duly sworn, upon his oath saith that to the best of his knowledge there are heirs of Joseph Wright deceased now in being, to wit; Malinda Briggs, Tiery T Wright, Leatetia Wright, Elizabeth Green Wright, James A Wright, Wylie S. Wright Virginia P Wright, William P Wright and Julia Ann Wright, residing in St Louis County . . . .

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this fourteenth day of August 1832

Henry Chouteau Tiery Wright
Clerk"

The will of 1849 Thomas Wright dated October 20, 1843, and probated on August 6, 1849, at Franklin County, Virginia, W.B. 7/79 listed Julia A. Wright deceased as one of Joseph Wright's children:

. . . . Item 3rd I give unto my grand children the heirs of Joseph Wright deceased six hundred dollars to be equally divided amongst them or the survivors or their heirs that is 1/7 to the heirs of Malinda Breggs 1/7 to Tyree Wright. 1/7 to Latitia Gerard 1/7 to James A Wright 1/7 to Wiley S. Wright 1/7 to Virginia P. Wright & 1/7 to Julia A. Wright or their heirs forever . . . ."

On December 9, 1850, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 21/473 the heirs of Joseph Wright appointed Solomon Wright their attorney in fact to deal with the estate:

"Know all men by these presents that whereas Thomas Wright the Elder late of of the County of Franklin and State of Virginia deceased by his his last Will and Testament did give and bequeath unto his Grand children the heirs of Joseph Wright deceased, the sum of six hundred dollars to be equally divided among them, or the survivors of them or their heirs that is to say, the sum of six hundred dollars to be divided as follows, to wit: 1/7 to the heirs of Melinda Briggs 1/7 to Tyree Wright 1/7 to Letitia Gerard 1/7 to James A. Wright 1/7 to Wiley S. Wright 1/7 to Virginia P. Wright 1/7 to Julia A. Wright or their heirs forever, to be paid unto them by the Executor of the said Thomas Wright the Elder deceased of which last Will and Testament, Robert P. Wright is the Executor as in and by said Will and Testament may appear. And whereas the Judge of the St Louis Probate Court has appointed Curators for the Estates of Cynthia Briggs, Mary Jane Briggs and Eliza Briggs, who are the sole heirs of the said Malinda Briggs deceased, that is to say has appointed James A. Wright Curator of the Estate of the said Cynthia Briggs and John Napp Curator of the Estates of the said Mary Jane and Eliza Briggs, as will appear by the certificates of the Judge and Clerk of said Court (in due form of law) under seal of said Court, hereto annexed. And whereas Virginia P. and Julia A. Wright are both lawfully married - Virginia P. to John Knapp and Julia A. to William Mount as will appear by the copies from the Book of Marriages in the recorders office of St Louis County, hereto annexed, certified by the said recorder under his seal. Now Know Ye that we the said James A Wright, Wiley S. Wright, Letitia Gerard, John Knapp and Virginia P. his wife, Julia A. wife of said William Mount & Cynthia Briggs, by her curator James A. Wright and Mary Jane and Eliza Briggs, by their curator John Knapp, Have made Ordained constituted and appointed, Solomon Wright of the County of ____ and State of Virginia, our true and lawful attorney, for us, and in our names, and for our use and benefit, to ask, demand, and receive of and from the said Robert P. Wright Executor the legacies given and bequeathed unto us by the said Will of the said Thomas Wright the elder, as aforesaid, and upon receipt thereof by or payment thereof to, and said Attorney, a general release or discharge for the same to make, Execute, and deliver, hereby ratifying, confirming and allowing whatsoever our said Attorney shall lawfully do in the premises. In Witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and seals this Ninth day of December A. D. 1850 at the City of St Louis and State of Missouri.

James A. Wright
Wiley S. Wright
Letitia Gerarde
Julia A. Mount
John Knapp
Virginia P. Knapp
John Knapp
Curator of Mary Jane & Eliza Briggs

James A. Wright
Curator of Cynthia Ann Briggs

State of Missouri)
County of Saint Louis) SS.

I John H. Watson a Commissioner appointed by the Governor of the State of Virginia, for the State of Missouri certify that James A. Wright, Wiley S. Wright, Letitia Gerarde Julia A Mount and John Knapp, whose names are signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the Ninth day of December Eighteen hundred and fifty, have acknowledged the same before me in my State of Missouri aforesaid on this 9' day of December A. D. 1850. And I further certify that John Knapp as Curator of Mary Jane and Elisa Briggs whose name is signed as such to the said annexed writing, acknowledged the same as said Curator, at the same time, before me; and I further certify that James A. Wright, as Curator of Cynthia Ann Briggs, whose name is signed as such to the said annexed writing, acknowledged the same as said Curator, at the same time, before me. Given under my hand this ninth day of December A. D. 1850

Jno. H. Watson
Commissioner of Virginia
for the State of Missouri

. . . .

State of Missouri)
County of St. Louis) SS.

I, John H. Watson, a Commissioner appointed by the Governor of the State of Virginia, for the State of Missouri, do hereby certify that Julia A. Mount (the wife of William Mount) whose name is subscribed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the ninth day of December A. D. 1850, personally appeared before me in the County aforesaid, on the ninth day of December A. D. 1850 and being examined by me privily and apart from her husband and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Julia A. Mount, acknowledged the said writing to be her act and declared that she had willingly executed the same, and does not wish to retract it. Given under my hand this ninth day of December A. D. 1850

Jno. H. Watson
Commissioner of Virginia
for the State of Missouri

. . . ."

On August 16, 1856, at Roanoke County, Virginia, D.B. E/609 James A. Wright, Letitia Girard, Virginia P. Knapp and her husband John Knapp, Julia A. Mount and her husband William Mount, Mary Jane Dunn and her husband John Dunn, and Eliza M. Briggs, all of St. Louis County, Missouri, appointed Joel M. Wright to act for them in connection with the estate of 1849 Thomas Wright:

> "Know all men by these presents that we the undersigned, James A. Wright, Letitia Girard, Virginia P. Knapp and John Knapp, her husband, John A. Mount and William Mount her husband, Mary J. Dunn and John Dunn her husband, and Eliza Briggs, all of the County of St. Louis and state of Missouri, heirs of the late Thomas Wright, late of the County of Franklin and State of Virginia, and of the late Solomon Wright late of the County of Roanoke and state of Virginia, have made, constituted, and appointed, and do by these presents make, constitute, and appoint Joel M. Wright of the County of Roanoke, aforesaid, our true and lawful attorney for us and in our names, places, and stead, to receive from any and all persons from whom the same may be due, or who may have charge or possession of the same, any and all moneys which may be due, or which shall hereinafter become due, to us as heirs of the aforesaid Thomas Wright and Solomon Wright or either of them to take such legal measures as may be necessary for the collection of the same, and also to sign, execute and deliver in our names good and valid receipts and acquitances for all such monys so received and also to perform all such legal acts as may be necessary in those premises, and which we ourselves might do if personally present. And we further empower our said attorney to remit and pay over all moneys so received to James A. Wright of the City and County of St. Louis and state of Missouri hereby ratifying and confirming all acts which our said Attorney shall perform by authority of these presents. In testimony whereof we have hereto set our hands and seals.

Witness
James B. Goff

James A. Wright
Latitia Girard
Julia A. Mount
William Mount
Virginia P. Knapp
John Knapp
Mary Jane Dunn
John Dunn
Eliza M. Briggs

City & County of St. Louis)
State of Missouri)

I James B. Goff, a commissioner within and for the State of Missouri, duly commissioned and authorized by the Governor of the State of Virginia to take the acknowledgement of Deed or other instrument of writing, to be ____ or recorded in said State of Virginia, hereby certify that on the 16 day of August 1856 James A Wright, Latitia Girard, Julia A Mount, William Mount John Knapp, and Virginia P. Knapp, who are to me severally known to be the same persons whose signatures are affixed to the foregoing instrument of writing as parties thereto, personally appeared before me and acknowledged the same to be their act and deed, for the purposes therein specified - the said Julia & Virginia having been first examined apart from their husbands. In witness whereof I have hereto set my hand and seal of office in the City of St Louis aforesaid the day & year above written

James B. Goff,
Commissioner for Virginia

State of Missouri)
City & County of St. Louis)

I, James B Goff, a Commissioner within and for the State of Missouri, duly commissioned & authorized by the Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia to take acknowledgements of deeds and other instruments of writing to be ____ and recorded in said State of Virginia hereby certify that on the 27' day of August 1856 Eliza M Briggs and Mary Jane Dunn - and on the 28' day of August 1856 John Dunn who are severally known to me to be the same persons whose names are signed to the foregoing instrument of writing as parties thereto, personally appeared before me and acknowledged the same to be their act and deed for the purposes therein specified, Mary Jane Dunn having been examined apart from her husband

Witness my hand and affixed seal this 28' day of August 1856

James B Goff, Comr for Virginia

In the clerk's office of the County Court of Roanoke the 18' day of November 1856 this power of attorney from James A Wright and others to Joel M Wright was delivered to me and with the certificate thereon written admitted to record

Teste
F. Johnston C"

In his letters dated October 29, 1981, and October 26, 1981, James W. Robinson enclosed family group sheets which stated that Julia A. Wright was a daughter of 1829 Joseph F. Wright and Cynthia (Belcher) Wright, was born on January 5, 1828, and died on May 7, 1873.

b. 1854 Solomon Wright Of Roanoke County And His Wife Sarah (Bright) Wright

1854 Solomon Wright of Roanoke County was a son of 1849 Thomas Wright of Franklin County and Phebe (____) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1849 Thomas[3])

The 1804 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Soloman Wright with the following property:

Date of Recving lists	Persons Names Owning Property	White Tithes	Blacks Ov 16	Blacks 12 & 16
May 5	Soloman Wright	1	-	-

Horses	Stud Horses	Rate per Season	Merchant License	Taxes
1	-	-	-	- 12

The absence of Solomon Wright from the 1803 Personal Property Tax List and his first appearance in the 1804 Personal Property Tax List indicates that he was probably born after 1782.

The 1805 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Soloman Wright with the following property:

	Persons Names	White Tithes	Blacks Over 16	B under 16 & O. 12
May 4	Soloman Wright	1	-	-

Horses	Studs	Rate per Season	Merchant License	Taxes
1	-	-	-	- 12

On August 17, 1805, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 5/127 Solomon Wright and Joseph Wright purchased 230 acres of land from John and Elizabeth Hiser:

"This Indenture made this seventeenth day of august, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and five, between John Hiser, and Elizabeth his wife of the County of Franklin of the one part and Joseph Wright and Solomon Wright, of said County of the other - part, Witnesseth, that the said John Hiser, and Elizabeth his wife for and in consideration of the sum of two hundred pounds current money of Virginia, to them in hand paid, the Receipt whereof they do hereby acknowledge, hath granted, bargained, and Sold & by these presents do grant, bargain, Sell, and confirm unto the said Joseph Wright and Solomon Wright, their heirs &c, one certain Tract, or parcel of Land lying and being in the County of Franklin on the head Branches of Gills Creek, containing Two hundred and thirty acres and Bounded as followeth, to wit, Begining at a white oak, north 55 Degrees East 16 poles to a Chesnut tree, North 51 East 27 poles crossing a Branch to a red oak, North 45 West 34 poles to Pointers, North 44 East 74 poles to a double red oak North 4 East 28 poles to Stone's line, North 8 degrees West 38 poles to a Gum and Hickory, North 37 degrees East 40 poles to a red and Chesnut oak, North 87 Degrees East 32 poles to two red oaks South 18 Degrees E. 198 poles crossing two Branches to a Hickory Grub in Early's line, South 31 Degrees West 44 poles to a white oak on a Branch thence down the same as it meanders and across to a Poplar, South 25 West 10 poles crossing a Branch to a white oak, South 9 Degrees West 38 poles to a C. Oak, South 49 Degrees West 28 poles to Pointers, North 53 Degrees West, 108 poles to a red oak, North 18 Degrees West 84 poles to the first Station. To have and To hold the above said Land & premisses unto them, the above named Joseph Wright & Solomon Wright their heirs &c they the said John Hiser and Elizabeth his wife, do warrant and forever defend a good and lawful right & title in fee Simple to them, the said Joseph Wright & Solomon Wright, their heirs &c, and against the claim or demand of all person or persons whatsoever. In Witness whereof they the said John Hiser and Elizabeth his wife, hath hereunto set their hands & seals the day and date above written.

Signed, Sealed, and	)	John	X	Hiser
delivered	)	Elizabeth	X	Hiser
in presence of	)			

At a Court held for Franklin County, September 2d 1805.

This Indenture of bargain and Sale between John Hiser & Elizabeth his wife of the one part, and Joseph Wright and Solomon Wright of the other part, was acknowledged by the said John Hiser and Elizabeth his wife, the said Elizabeth being first privily examined according to Law, voluntarily, relinquished her right of dower in and to the Land and premisses conveyed by the said Indenture, which is ordered to be recorded.

Teste,
James Callaway C. FC"

The 1806 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Solamon Wright with the following property:

date of B under Receiving Lists	Persons Names Owning Property	White tithes	B: Over 16	16 & over 12
Ap 7	Solamon Wright	1	-	-

Horses	Studs	Rate per Season	Merchant License	Tax
1	-	-	-	- 12

The 1806 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph & Solaman Wright frm John Hiser with the following property:

Persons Names That Own Land	No. of Acres Land	Amt of One Acre D C	Total Amount of Valuation D C	Tax D C
Joseph & Solaman Wright frm John Hiser	230	0.34	78.22	0.37

This record reflects the purchase of 230 acres of land by Franklin County Deed 5/127.

The 1807 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph & Solaman Wright with the following property:

Persons Names That Own Land	No. of Acres	Amt of One Acre	Total Amount of Valuation	Tax
Joseph & Solaman Wright	230	0.34	78.28½	0.37

The 1809 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Solamon Wright with the following property:

date of Rec Lists	Persons Names that own Property	Whites	B over 16	Blacks over 12
	Solamon Wright	1	-	-

Horses	___	___	____	Tax
1	-	-	-	- 12

The 1809 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph & Soloman Wright with the following property:

Persons Names That Own Land	Amount of Acres	Amt of One Acre	Total Amount Of Valuation	Tax
Joseph & Soloman Wright	230	0.34	78.282	0.37

The 1810 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following property:

____	Persons Names that own Property	Whites	Black over 16	B over 12 & under 16
	Solomon Wright	1	-	-

Horses	___	___	____	Tax
1	-	-	-	- 12

The 1810 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph & Solaman Wright with the following property:

Persons Names That Own Land	Amount of Land	Amot of One Acre	Amount Of Vallueation	Tax
Joseph & Solaman Wright	230	0.34	78.28	0.37

The 1811 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following property:

Date of Receivg Lists	Persons Names that Own Property	White tithes	Blacks over 16 years	Blacks over 12 & under 16 years
March 4	Solomon Wright	1	-	-

Horses	___	___	____	Tax D C
1	-	-	-	- 12

The 1811 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph & Solomon Wright with the following property:

Persons Names That Own Land	No. of Acres	Amount of One Acre	Total Amount Of Valluation	Tax
Joseph & Solomon Wright	230	0.34	78.28	0.37

The 1812 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following property:

____	Persons Names that own property	White tithes	Blacks over 16 years	Blacks under 16 & over 12 ___
	Solomon Wright	1	-	-

Horses	___	___	____	Tax
1	-	-	-	- 12

The 1812 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph & Solon Wright with the following property:

Persons Names That Own Land	No. of Acres	A Description and Situation of Each Tract of Land	Amount of One Acre	Total Amount Of Valuation	Tax
Joseph & Solon Wright	230	on Gills Creek	0.34	78.28	0.37

The 1813 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following property:

____	Persons Names that own property	White tithes	Blacks over 16	Blacks over 12 & under 16
	Solomon Wright	1	-	-

Horses	___	___	____	Tax
-	-	-	-	- -

The 1813 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph & Solomon Wright with the following property:

Persons Names That Own Land	No. of Acres	Description & Situation of Each Tract	Amount of One Acre	Total Amount Of Valluation	Tax
Joseph & Solomon Wright	230	G Creek	0.34	78.28	0.40

The 1814 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following property:

___	Persons names that own property	White tithes	Blacks over 16	Blacks 12 & under 16
	Solomon Wright	1		

Horses	Griss Mer-chant Mills	Rent	Saw Mills	Rent	Forges	Valuation
1						

Cariages	Valu-ation	Stud Horses	Rate per Season ___	Valu-ation ___

Valu-ation	Free negroes & Mulatoes	Merchant License	___	___

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The 1814 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph & Soloman Wright with the following property:

Name Of Owner	Residence	Estate	Number of Town Lots	Name of the Town
Joseph & Soloman Wright	in Franklin	fee Simple		

Yearly Rent of Lots ___	Amount of Tax on Lots	No of Acres of Lots ___	Description of Land ___
		230	Gills Creek

Distance & Baring from the Court House	Rate of Land per Acre	Total Valua-tion of Land	Amount of Tax on Land	Total Amount of Tax on Land and Lots	Explanation of Alterations During the Preceding Year
15N	.34	78.28	.66	.66	

The 1815 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following property:

Dates of Receiving lists from individuals	Persons Names Charged with the Tax	No of white males above 16 years old
_ 7	Solomon Wright	1

Slaves				Stud Horses		
over 9 and und 12 years old	over 12 years old	above 16 years old	Horses Mules mares & Colts	No	Rate of Covering mares	no of head of Cattle

Carrages					
2 wheel riding Carrages	Pheatons & Stage Waggons	Publick Stages	all other 4 Wheel Carrag	Mills	Tole bridges & Ferrys

Tax Yeards	Free Male negros above 16 & under 45 years old	Watches			Livery Stables	Houses in the Cuntry
		Silver	Single Case Gold	Double Case Gold		

Ice House		Clocks				
for private use	from Which Ice Is Sold	Works of Wood W out Case	Works of Wood With Case	Works of Metal	of Vallu between 50 & 100	over $100

		Furniture					
Coal Pitts	Printers	Bureau & Bed Steds of Mahogany	Picturs & Glasses	Bureau & Book Cases	Total Pitchers and Decanters	Amount of Tax D C	
							2.75½

The 1815 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph & Solo Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owner	Residence	Estate	No of Acres of Land	Description of Land
Joseph & Solo Wright	Franklin	fee Simple	230	Gills Creek

Distance an Baring from the Court House	Rate of Land Per Acre	Total Valluation of Land	Amount of Tax on Land	Explanation of Conveyances During the Preceding Year
18N	.34	78.28	.66	

The 1816 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following property:

Dates of Receiving lists from individuals	Persons Names Chargeable the Tax	No of white males above 16 years old
27	Solomon Wright	1

no of Slaves above 12 years old	No of Horses	Stud Horses No	Stud Horses $ Cts	2 wheeled riding Carriages & harness belonging thereto Not Exceeding in Vallue $100	2 wheeled riding Carriages & harness belonging thereto Exceeding in Vallue $100
-	1	-		-	-

Phaetons Slay Waggons & harness belonging thereto Not Exceeding in Vallue $200	Phaetons Slay Waggons & harness belonging thereto Exceeding in Vallue $200	Coaches & Harness belonging thereto Not Exceeding in Vallue $300	Coaches & Harness belonging thereto Exceeding in Vallue $300	Total Amount of Taxes $ Cts	
-	-	-	-	.18	

The 1816 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph & Solomon Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owner	Residence	Estate	No of Acres	Description of Land
Joseph & Solomon Wright	Franklin	in fee	230	Gills Creek

Distance an Bearing from the Court House	Rate of Land Per Acre	Total Vallua-tion of Land	Amount of Tax on Land	Explanation of Conveyances During the Preceding Year
18N	.34	78.28	._	

The 1817 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following property:

Date of Receiving lists from individs	Persons Names Chargeable With the Tax	No of white males above 16
Apl 12	Solomon Wright	1

No of Slaves above 12 years old	No of head of Horses	Stud Horses No of	Rate per Season	2 wheel riding Carriages & harness Not Exceeding in Vallue $100	Exceeding in Vallue $100
	1				

Phaetons Slays Wagons & harness Not Exceeding in Vallue $200	Exceeding in Vallue $200	Coaches & Harness Not Exceeding in Vallue $300	Exceeding in Vallue $300	Total Amount of Tax	Proof
				.18	

The 1817 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph & Solomon Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owner	Residence	Estate	No of Acres	Description of Land
Joseph & Solomon Wright	Franklin	in fee	230	Gills Creek

Distance & Baring from the Court House	Rate of Land Per Acre	Total Value of Land	Amount of Tax on Land	
18N	.34	78.28	.58	

On June 20, 1817, at Franklin County, Virginia, Court Order Book 6/402 Solomon Wright was made a lieutenant in the consolidated company of militia of the United States.

The 1818 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following property:

Date of Receiving Lists	Persons Names Chargeable With the Tax	No of white males above 16
April 11	Solomon Wright	1

No Slaves over 16 yrs old	No Slaves over 12 & under 16 yrs old	Studs: No of	Studs: Rate per Season	2 wheel riding Carages: Not exceeding in Vallu $100	2 wheel riding Carages: Exceeding in Vallu $100

Phaetons & Stage Waggons: not Exceeding in Vallue $200	Phaetons & Stage Waggons: Exceeding in Vallu $200	Total Amount of Tax	Proof
-	-	-	

The 1819 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph & Solomon Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate	No of Acres	Description of Land
Joseph & Solomon Wright	Franklin	in fee	230	Gills creek

Distance & Bearing from the Court House	Rate of Land Per Acre	Total Value of Land	Amount of Tax on Land	
18N	.34	78.28		

In October 1819 at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 8/509 Solomon Wright, Joseph Wright, and Scynthia Wright sold 230 acres of land to Joab Early:

> "This Indenture made the __ day of October one Thousand eight hundred and nineteen between Joseph Wright and Scynthia his wife and Solomon Wright of Franklin County of the one part, and Joab Early of said County of the other part, Witnesseth that the said Jos. Wright and Scynthia his wife and Solomon Wright for and in consideration of the sum of one Thousand Dollars current money of Virginia to them in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath this day bargained and sold, and by these presents doth bargain and sell Alien enfeoff release, deliver and confirm unto said Joab Early his Heirs and assigns forever, one Certain tract or parcel of Land, containing two hundred and thirty acres, more or less, lying and being in the County of Franklin on the head branches of Gills Creek and bounded as followeth, Begining at a White Oak, thence No 55 E 16 poles to a Chesnut tree No 51. E 27 poles crossing a branch to a Red Oak, No 45 W. 34 poles to pointers No. 44 E 74 poles to a Double Red Oak, No 4 E 28 poles to Stones line No 8 W 38 poles to a Gum and Hickory N 37 E 40 poles to a Red and Chesnut Oak No 87 E 32 poles to two Red Oaks, S 18, E 198 poles crossing two branches to Early's Hickory Grub, S 31 W 44 poles to a White Oak on a branch, thence down the same and X to a poplar S 25 W 10 poles Xing a branch to a White Oak, S 9 W 38 poles to a Chesnut Oak, S 49 W 28 poles to pointers N 53 W 108 poles to a Red Oak, N 18 W 84 poles to the Begining, together with all the appurtenances priviledges, reversion, and reversions, the remainder and remainders, and every part thereto belonging, or in any wise appertaining, to have, and to hold, the above granted, Land, and premisses, unto the said Joab Early, his heirs and assigns forever, we said Joseph Wright, and Scynthia his wife, and Solomon Wright, doth for ourselves, our Heirs and assigns covenant and agree to and with said Early and his heirs

and assigns that we the aforesaid Jos Wright and Scynthia his wife and Solomon Wright our Heirs &c, the above granted Land & premisses in an undefeasable fee simple estate, unto sd Joab Early his heirs and assigns from the claim or demand of all and every person or persons, whatsoever shall and will by these presents, warrant and forever defend, in Witness whereof the said Jos. and Scynthia his wife and Solomon Wright hath hereunto set their hands and seals this day and date above written

In the presence of

Joseph Wright
her
Cinthia X Wright
mark
Solomon Wright

At a Court held for Franklin County October 4th 1819

This Indenture of Bargain and sale between Joseph Wright and Cynthia his wife, and Solomon Wright, of the one part, and Joab Early of the other part, was acknowledged by the said Joseph Wright and Solomon Wright, And at a Court held for the said County November 1st 1819, the said Indenture was acknowledged by Cynthia Wright the wife of Joseph Wright, who being first privily examined as the law directs Voluntarily relinquished her right of dower in and to the Land and premisses conveyed by this Indenture and the same was ordered to be recorded

Teste,
Caleb Tate, C.F.C."

The 1820 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following property:

Date of Receiving Lists from Individs	Persons Names Chargeable With the Tax	White Males 16 years of age	No of Slaves above 16 years of age
April 4	Solomon Wright	1	

No of Slaves above 12 & under 16 years of age	Stude Horses		2 wheel Riding Carrages		
	No of Horses	No of Studes	Rate per Season	Not exceeding in Vallue $100	Exceeding in Vallue $100
	1				

Pheatons & Stage Wagons		Clocks			
Not Exceeding in Vallue $200	Exceeding in Vallue $200	Not Exceeding in Vallue $300	Exceeding in Vallue $300	Total Amount of Tax	Proof
				.18	

The 1821 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following property:

date of Receiving Lists from Individs	Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses Mares Colts & Mules
	Solomon Wright		1

Stude Horses		two wheeled riding and Harness		Phaetons & Stage Wagons & Harness	
No.	Dollars Cts	Not exceeding in Dollar $100	above the Vallue of $100	Not Exceeding in Vallue $200	above the Vallue of $200

Riding Carrages& Harness			
Not Exceeding in Vallue $300	above the Vallue $300	Amount of Tax	
		.13½	

The 1824 Personal Property Tax List for Botetourt County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following household:

Names	White Tithes	S. O.V. 16	S. OV 12	Horses &c	Gigs & Value No $
Solomon Wright	1			1	

Carrialls & Value No $	Amount of Tax $ Cts
	.12

On May 19, 1824, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 11/27 F. N. Taliaferro executed a deed of trust to secure a debt due to Solomon Wright, then in Botetourt County:

> "This Indenture made this 19" day of May in the year 1824 between F. N. Taliaferro of the County of Franklin & State of Virginia of the one part and Joab Early of the County & State aforesaid of the other part, Witnesseth that the said F. N. Taliaferro in order to secure the payment of a debt due by him to Solomon Wright now of Botetourt County & State aforesaid by note executed by the said Taliaferro to the said Wright for the sum of One hundred & Seventy four Dollars lawful money of the state of Virginia dated February the 2nd 1824 and upon demand and in consideration of the Sum of one dollar to him in hand paid by the said Joab Early at or before the ensealing & Delivery of these Presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged he the said F. N. Taliaferro hath granted bargained & Sold & by these Presents doth grant bargain and Sell unto the said Joab Early one negroe boy by name Caleb about 18 years old together with all the right title interest & property whatsoever both at Law & in equity of him the said F N Taliaferro in or to the said Negroe boy Caleb, To have and to hold the said negroe Caleb herein before mentioned to be hereby granted unto the said Joab Early his heirs Executors administrators and assigns forever. Upon trust Nevertheless that the said Joab Early shall as soon as conveniently he can after the first day of October next ensuing the date hereof or as soon thereafter as he shall be requested by the said Solomon Wright and after having advertised the time & place of the sale of the property before mentioned at the door of the Courthouse in the said County of Franklin & other publick places adjacent thereto for at least twenty days before the day of Sale, proceed to sell the same to the highest bidder for the best price that can be obtained and out of the monies arising from the sale in the first place to pay & satisfy all reasonable charges attending such sale & then the debt & Interest herein mentioned & the residue of the money arising from such sale as aforesaid to the use of the said F N. Taliaferro his Executors administrators or assigns or to such person or persons as he by writing under his hand shall appoint and in default of Such appointment to such person or persons as would be thereto entitled by law. In

Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands & affixed our seals this said 19" day of May in the year 1824

Signed sealed & acknowledged in Presence of Thomas Wright Jr

F N. Taliaferro
Jb Early

At the Clerks Office of the County Court of Franklin the 6" day of September 1824

This Deed of trust from Fletcher N Taliaferro to Joab Early to secure the payment of a Debt due Solomon Wright was acknowledged by the said Fletcher N Taliaferro and admitted to Record

Teste
Caleb Tate C.F.C."

The 1825 Personal Property Tax List for Botetourt County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following household:

Names	W Tithes	S Ovr 16	S Ovr 12	Horses &c	Gigs & Value No $
Solomon Wright	1	1	1	1	

Carryalls & Value No $	Amount of Tax $ Cts
	1.06

The 1826 Personal Property Tax List for Botetourt County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following household:

Names	W Tithes	S Ovr 16	S Ovr 12	Horses &c	Giggs No $
Solomon Wright	1	2	1	2	

Carryalls		Amount of Tax	
No	$	$	Cts
		1.65	

The 1827 Personal Property Tax List for Botetourt County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following household:

Names	W Tithes	S Ovr 16	S Ovr 12	Horses &c	Carryalls & Value No	$
Solomon Wright	1	2	1	1		

Amount of Tax	
$	Cts
1.53	

On August 2, 1827, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 12/27 Robert W. Payne executed a deed of trust to secure a debt due to Solomon Wright:

> "This Indenture made this second day of August in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and twenty seven between Robert W Payne of the first part and Thomas Wright Sr of the second part & Solomon Wright of the third part. Whereas the said Robert W Payne is justly indebted to the said Solomon Wright in the sum of fifty seven dollars and fifty Cents due by note the 4th day of July 1828, now the said Robert W Payne being willing and desirous to secure and indemnify the said Solomon Wright and also for the further consideration of One dollar of lawful money of Virginia to the said Robert W Payne in hand paid by the said Thomas Wright Sr at and before the sealing & delivery of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acnowledged he the said Robert W Payne hath given, granted, bargained sold & confirmed and by this presents doth give grant bargain sell and confirm to the said Thomas Wright Sr his heirs and assigns forever the following porperty - Viz, One Black cow, One white cow, two feather beds & furniture One womans saddle, Crop of corn standing in the field, One Oat stack, Household and Kitchen furniture and plantation tools of every discription. To have and hold the above described property onto the said Thomas Wright Sr his heirs exors Admrs & assigns forever And the said Robert W Payne doth for himself his Heirs, Exors, admrs covenant promise & agree to and with the said Thomas Wright Sr his Heirs & assigns forever, in manner and form following, that is to say, the said Robert W Payne his Heirs & assigns the aforesaid property hereby conveyed unto the said Thomas Wright Sr

his heirs & assigns against the claims or demands of all persons whatsoever shall and will warrant & forever defend by these presents. Upon trust nevertheless that the said Thomas Wright Sr his heirs &c shall permit the said Robert W Payne to remain in peaceable possession of the sd property hereby conveyed to his own use, until default be made in the payment of the said sum of Fifty seven dollars & fifty cents either in the whole or in part, and then upon the further trust that he the said Thomas Wright Sr. or his heirs, exors, admrs or assigns shall and will so soon after the happening of such default of payment as he or his exors &c may think proper or the said Solomon Wright his Exors administrators or assigns shall request sell all the property hereby conveyed or so much thereof as the trustee or their Representators hereby authorised to act shall think sufficient for the purpose and shall think proper to sell to the highest bidder for ready money at publick auction after having fixed the time and place of sale at their own discretion and given thirty days notice thereof by advertising the same at some publick place in the neighbourhood and also notify the same by advertisement to be set up at the door of the said Robert W Payne ten days previous to the day of sale, and out of the monies arising from such sale shall after satisfying the charges thereof and all other expences attending the premises pay to the said Solomon Wright his Exors, admrs, or assigns the said sum of fifty seven dollars & fifty Cents with the Interest thereon which may have lawfully accrued and the balance if any shall pay to the said Robert W Payne his Heirs or assigns but if the whole of the said sum of Fifty seven dollars & fifty cents shall be fully paid off and discharged to the aforesaid Solomon Wright his exors admrs or assigns on or before the fourth day of July . . . . next when the same is payable so that no default be made then this Indenture to be void, or else remain in full force and Virtue In Witness whereof the said parties to these presents have hereunto set their Hands and seals the day & year first written

R W Payne"

The 1828 Personal Property Tax List for Botetourt County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following household:

Names	W Tithes	S Over 16	S Over 12	Horses &c	Amot. of Tax $ Cts
Solomon Wright	1	3		1	1.53

The 1829 Personal Property Tax List for Botetourt County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following household:

Names	W Tithes	S Over 16	S Over 12	Horses &c	Carryalls	Amot. of Tax $ Cts
Solomon Wright	1	3	1	3		1.90

On February 2, 1830, at Botetourt County, Virginia, D.B. 19/318 Solomon Wright purchased a tract of 15 acres of land from George and Ann Bright:

> "This Indenture made and entered into this 2nd day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight Hundred and thirty between George Bright and Ann his wife of the one part and Solomon Wright of the Other part both parties of the County of Botetourt and State of Virginia Witnesseth that the said George Bright and Ann his wife in Consideration of five hundred fifty dollars to them in hand paid by the said Solomon Wright at and before the sealing and delivery of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged he the said George Bright and Ann his wife hath this day granted bargained and sold aliened and confirmed unto the said Solomon Wright and by these presents doth grant bargain sell alien and confirm unto the said Solomon Wright his Heirs and assigns a certain tract or parcel of land lying in Botetourt County on the North side of Roanoke River and Bounded as follows purchased of the Heirs of Peter Kefauver Decd. and containing by survey 15 acres be the same more or less Viz Begining at a large Pine & two white oaks on the north bank of roanoke River corner to a tract of 100 acres the property of the said Heirs and to a large survey made by James Mason thence with the lines of the said tracts North East 31 poles to two white Oaks N 47 Degrees East 50 poles to a pine N 21 W 14 poles to a black Oak & white Oak on Vineyards line thence with the same N 71 W 20 poles to 3 white Oaks corner to the land of the said Bright thence with the same S 48 West 21 poles to tinker creek thence down the same to the River as it meanders 67 poles and thence down the river to the Begining binding on the same to have and to hold the said tract of land and premises together with all and singular the appurtinances thereunto belonging unto the said Solomon Wright and to his Heirs for ever To have and to hold free from them their Heirs or assigns or in any way claiming in through or from or from the claim or claims of all persons or by them or in any other way whatsoever and further for the consideration of ten Dollars in hand paid to me the said George Bright hath in possession and agreeable to the Will of Daniel McCreal Decd, is entitled to a life Estate in and to a certain tract or parcel of land he the said George Bright hath granted bargaind Bargaind and sold unto the said Solomon Wright his whole right title and Interest in and to the said tract or parcel of land together with all and Singular its appurtenances thereunto belonging To have and to hold during the natural life of him the said G Bright free from the claim or claims of him the said G Bright or his Heirs claiming in through or by him or in any Other way for

and during the period aforesaid Viz during the said George Bright his natural life and the right and title of the foregoing tracts and parcels of land we G Bright and Ann his wife do warrant unto the said Solomon Wright agreeable to the foregoing period free from the claim or claims of themselves their Heirs or assigns Exrs or administrators or administrators claiming in through or by them or in any other way shall and will warrant and for ever defend in Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals the day and date first above Written

G Bright
Ann Bright

Note the interlineation between the second and third lines on this side and also & also that between the fourth and fifth lines on same side was before signed

Botetourt County to Wit

We Eljah McClanahan and William McDermed Justices of the peace in and for the county aforesaid do hereby certify that G Bright a party to a certain deed for two tracts or parcels of land the one a General Warrantee and the Other for a life Estate bearing date on the 2nd day of February in the year 1830 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act and Deed and desired us to certify the said acknowledgment to the Clerk of the County Court of Botetourt in order that the said deed may be recorded We do further certify that Ann Bright wife of G Bright parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 2nd Day of February and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in Our County aforesaid And being examined by us privily and apart from her Husband and haveing the deed aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Ann Bright acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it Given under our hands and seals this 11th day of February 1830

E McClanahan
Wm McDermed

Botetourt County Court Clerks office 8th April 1830 this Deed together with the certificates & thereon written respecting the acknowledgment & thereon written was this day exhibited in said office and thereupon admitted to record

teste
H W Bowyer D.C."

The 1830 Personal Property Tax List for Botetourt County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following household:

Names	W Tithe-ables	S Over 16	S Over 12	Horses &c	Amot. of Tax $ Cts
Solomon Wright	1	3	1	2	1.56

The marriage bond of Soloman Wright and Sarah Bright was dated on May 11, 1830, at Botetourt County, Virginia, with Robert Filson as surety and who testified that the bride was over 21 years of age and with the marriage on May 12, 1830.

"Know All Men By these presents, that we Soloman Wright and Robert Filson are held and firmly bound unto John Floyd Governor of Virginia, in the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, current money, and for the payment of which well and truly to be made to the said Governor and his successors in office, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents. - Sealed with our seals and dated the 11th day of May 1830

The Condition of the above Obligation is such, That whereas there is a marriage shortly to be had and solemnized between the above bound Soloman Wright and Sarah Bright of this County If, therefore, there be no lawful cause or impediment to obstruct said marriage, then this obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

teste H. W. Bowyer D.C Solomon Wright
Robert Filson

Robert F____ Made oath before me that the above named Sarah Bright is above the age of 21 Years

H W B Dc

List of Marriages Celebrated by Joel Crumpacker M. G. December 23d 1829

Married Peter Kinnit to Julia Olinger

24th George White to Maryann Barns
Januy 21st 1830 William Feather to Jane James
. . . .
May 6th George Lemon to Polly Gish
12th Solomon Wright to Sarah Bright

20th Bartlet Freeman to Aley Johnson
(Free people of color)

. . . ."

The 1830 Census for Botetourt County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following household:

Names Heads of Families	Free White Males	Age	Free White Females	Age
Solomon Wright	1	40-50	1	20-30

Slaves Male	Age	Slaves Female	Age	Free Colored Males	Age	Free Colored Females	Age
1	36-55	2	10-24				
1	10-24						
1	0-5						

White Persons included in the foregoing

Total	Deaf & Dumb Under 14	Deaf & Dumb 14 to 25	Deaf & Dumb 25+	Blind	Aliens - Foreigners & Naturalized
7					

Slaves and Colored Persons, included in the foregoing

Deaf & Dumb under 14	Deaf & Dumb 14 to 25	Deaf & Dumb 25+	Blind

This record indicates that Solomon Wright was born between 1780 and 1790 and that Sarah (Bright) Wright was born between 1800 and 1810.

The 1831 Personal Property Tax List for Botetourt County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following household:

Names	No Tithes	S Ovr 16	S Ovr 12	Stud Horses No $	Coaches
Solomon Wright	1	2	1	3	

Giggs	Carry-alls	Tax $ Cts
		.93

The 1831 Land Tax List for Botetourt County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate whether held in Fee or otherwise	Number of Acres Acres poles	Situation of the Land
Solomon Wright	Botetourt	in fee	15	Roanoke

Distance and bearing from the Courthouse	Value of land and Building per acre $ Cts	Valuation of the Improve-ments Dollars	Total value of land & Buildings Dollars cts	Amt of Tax $ Cts	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
21 SW	15.00	150.00	225.00	.18	From George Bright

This record reflects the purchase of 15 acres of land by Botetourt County Deed 19/318.

On June 14, 1831, at Botetourt County, Virginia, D.B. 19/719 Solomon Wright purchased the interest of Thomas J. Bright in land of George Bright deceased:

> "This Indenture made and Entered into this 14th day of June in the year of Our Lord one thousand Eight Hundred and thirty one between Thomas J Bright of Randolph County and State of N Carolina of the one part and Solomon Wright of the County of Botetourt and State of Virginia of the Other part Witnesseth, that the said Thomas I Bright for and in Consideration of the sum of thirty Dollars to him in hand paid by the said Solomon Wright the Receipt whereof he hath

hereby acknowledged hath granted bargained and sold and by these presents doth Grant bargain sell confirm and Deliver unto the said Solomon Wright his Interest or Legacy in a certain tract or parcel of land Willed by Daniel McNea____ Decd to Mary Bright and her Heirs by George Bright situated and lying on the waters of Roanoke River in the County of Botetourt and State of Virginia and farther the said Thomas I Bright hath granted bargained sold and by these presents doth grant bargain and sell his Interest in all Other land lying and situated in the aforesaid County and State to the said Solomon Wright To have and to hold the said Interest or Interests in said land or lands unto him the said Solomon Wright his Heirs & assigns for ever The said Thomas J Bright doth covenant for himself his Heirs Executors Administrators &c that he will for ever warrant and defend the said Interest or Interests against the claims of all persons whatever In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the above day and date

Thomas Bright

Botetourt County to wit

We William McDurmed and Thomas Good Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Thomas J Bright partie to a certain Deed bearing date on the 14th day of June 1831 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act and Deed and desired us to certify the said acknowledgment to the Clerk of the County Court of Botetourt in order that the said Deed may be Recorded Given under our hands and seals this 14th day of June 1831

Wm McDurmed
Thos Good

Botetourt County Court Clerks office the 6th Day of December 1831 this Deed together with the Certificate thereon written was this day Exhibited in said ____

test
____ Woltz DC"

On August 19, 1831, at Botetourt County, Virginia, D.B. 19/720 Solomon Wright purchased the interest of David Bright in the land of George Bright deceased:

"This Indenture made and Entered into this 19th day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight Hundred and thirty one between David Bright of Chatham County and State of N Carolina of the one part and Solomon Wright of

the County of Botetourt and State of Virginia of the Other part Witnesseth that the said David Bright for and in Consideration of the sum of thirty Dollars to him in hand paid by the said Solomon Wright the Recept. whereof he doth hereby acknowledge hath granted bargaind and sold and by these presents doth grant bargain and confirm and deliver unto the said Solomon Wright his Interest or Legacy in a certain tract or parcel of Land Willed by Daniel McNeil Decd to Mary Bright and her Heirs by George Bright situated & Lying on the waters of Roanoke River in the County of Botetourt and State of Virginia and farther the said David Bright hath granted bargained and sold and by these presents doth grant bargain and sell his Interest in all the lands lying and situated in the aforesaid County and State to the said Solomon Wright To have and to hold the said Interest or Interests in said land or lands Unto him the said Solomon Wright his Heirs and assigns for Ever the said David Bright doth Covenant for himself his Heirs Executors Administrators &c that he will for ever warrant and Defend the said Interest or Interests against the Claims of all persons Whatsoever In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the above day and Date

David Bright

Botetourt County to wit

We Thomas Good and William McDurmed Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby Certify that David Bright a party to a certain Deed bearing date on the 19th day of August 1831 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act and Deed and Desired us to certify the said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Botetourt in Order that the said Deed may be Recorded Given under our hands and seals this 19th day of August 1831

Thos Good
Wm McDurmed

Botetourt County Court Clerks office 6th day of Decer 1831 This Deed was this day Exhibited in said office together with the Certificate &c thereon written was this day Exhibited in said office and admitted to record

teste
F Woltz D"

The 1832 Personal Property Tax List for Botetourt County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following household:

Names	W. Tithes	S Ovr 16	S Ovr 12	Horses &c	Coaches
Solomon Wright	1	2	1	3	

Carryalls	Tax $ Cts
	.43

The 1832 Land Tax List for Botetourt County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate Whether held in fee or for life	Numer of Acares Acres poles	Situation of Land
Solomon Wright	Botetourt	In fee	15.00	Roanoke

Distance and Bearing from the Courthouse	Value of land and Improvements per acre $ Cts	Value of Improvements Dollars	Total value of land & Buildings Dollars cts	Amt of Tax $ Cts	
18 SW	15.00	150.00	225.00	.18	

The 1833 Personal Property Tax List for Botetourt County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following household:

Names	W. Tithes	S Ovr 16	S Ovr 12	Horses &c	Amt. of Tax $ Cts
Solomon Wright	1	3		4	.99

The 1833 Land Tax List for Botetourt County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate whether in fee or for life	Number of Acres Acres Poles	Situation of the Land
Solomon Wright	Botetourt	In fee	15.00	Roanoke

Distance & Bearing from the Court House	Value of land and Buildings per acre $ Cts	Value of Improve-ments Dollars	Total Value of The Land Dollars cts	Amt of Tax $ Cts	
18 SW	15.00	200.00	225.00	.18	

The 1834 Personal Property Tax List for Botetourt County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following household:

Names	W. Tithes	S Ovr 16	S Ovr 12	Horses &c	Stud Horses No $	Amt. of Tax $ Cts
Solomon Wright	1	3		4		.99

The 1834 Land Tax List for Botetourt County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate whether in fee or for life	Number of Acres Acres Poles	Situation of the Land
Solomon Wright	Botetourt	In fee	15.00	Roanoke

Distance & Bearing from the Court House	Value of land and Buildings pr acre $ Cts	Value of the Improve-ments Dollars	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dollars cts	Amout of Tax $ Cts	Explanation of altera-tions during the preced-ing year
18 Miles SW	15.00		225.00	.18	

The 1835 Personal Property Tax List for Botetourt County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following household:

Names	W. Tithes	S Over 16	S Over 12	Horses &c	Stud Horses No $	Coaches
Solomon Wright	1	3		4		

Giggs	Carryalls	Amt. of Tax $ Cts
		.99

The 1835 Land Tax List for Botetourt County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate whether in fee or for life	Number of Acres Acres Poles	Situation of the land
Solomon Wright	Botetourt	In fee	15.00	Roanoke

Distance & bearing from the Court Hous	Value of land and Buildings pr Acre $ Cts	Value of the Improvements Dollars	Total Value of land and Improvements Dollars Cts	Amout of Tax $ Cts	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
21 Miles SW	15.00		225.00	.18	

On May 23, 1835, at Botetourt County, Virginia, D.B. 21/373 Solomon Wright purchased the interest of George Bright, Jr., in the land of George Bright deceased:

> "This Indenture made and entered into this 23 day of May in the year of our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and thirty five between George Bright jr of Montgomery County and State of N. Carolina of the one part and Solomon Wright of the County of Botetourt and State of Virginia of the other part Witnesseth that the Said George Bright for and in Consideration of the Sum of thirty Dollars to him in hand paid by the said Solomon Wright, the receipt whereof he doth hereby acknowledge, hath granted bargained and sold and by these presents doth grant bargain and confirm and deliver unto the Said Solomon Wright his Interest or legacy in a certain tract or parcel of land Willed by Daniel McNeal decd to Mary Bright and her heirs by George Bright situated and lying on the Waters of Roanoke River in the County of Botetourt and State of Virginia. And further the Said George Bright hath granted bargained sold and by these presents doth grant bargain and Sell his Interest in all other lands lying and situated in the aforesaid County and State to the Said Solomon Wright. To have and to hold the said Interest or interests in said Land or Lands unto him the said Solomon Wright his heirs and assigns forever the said George Bright doth Covenant for himself his heirs Executors administrators &c that he will for ever Warrant and defend the Said Interest or Interests against the Claims of all

persons whatsoever. In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this above day and date.

George Bright

Botetourt County to wit

We William McDermed and Jeremiah Whitten Justices of the Peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby Certify that George Bright Junior a Party to a Certain Deed bearing date on the 23rd day of May 1835 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid & acknowledged the Same to be his act and Deed and desired us to Certify the said acknowledgment to the Clerk of the County Court of Botetourt in order that the Said Deed may be recorded. Given under our hands and seals the 23rd day of May 1835.

Wm McDermed
J Whitten

At Botetourt January Court 1836.

This Deed with the Certificate of acknowledgment thereon written was this day exhibited in Court and ordered to be recorded.

A Copy
Teste
F Woltz DC"

The 1836 Personal Property Tax List for Botetourt County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following household:

		Slaves		Horses
Persons Names Chargable with tax	White Males over 16	Over 16	Between 12 & 16	Mares Colts & Mules
Solomon Wright	1	3		4

Stud Horses		Giggs		Stage Wagons & Carrialls					
			under		over				over
No	$	No	$50	No	$50	No	$100	No	$100

Coaches				
			over	Tax
No	$200	No	$200	$ Cts
				.99

The 1836 Land Tax List for Botetourt County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate	No. of Acres Poles	Description of land
Solomon Wright	Botetourt	Fee Simp	15.00	Roanoke
Same	"	"	93.00	Timber Creek

Distance & bearing from the Court Hous	Val. of land pr Acre including Buildings	Value of Buildings	Tot. Val. of Land & Buildings	Amt. of Tax at 8 ct pr $100 Val	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
20 Miles SW	15.00	200.00	225.00	.18	
19 " "	19.37	500.00	1802.00	1.45	Convd by George Bright

The 1837 Personal Property Tax List for Botetourt County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following household:

Names	W Ovr 16	S. Ovr 16	S. Ovr 12	Horses &c	Stud Horses No $	Stage & Carryalls No $
Solomon Wright	1	3		4		

Tax
$ Cts
.99

The 1837 Land Tax List for Botetourt County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate	No. of Acres poles	Description of land
Solomon Wright	Botetourt	Fee Sim	15.00	Roanoke
Same	"	"	93.00	Tinker Creek

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land pr. Acre including Buildings	Value of Buildings	Total Val. of Land & Buildings	Amt of Tax at 8c pr $100 Val	Total Amt. of Tax	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
20 Miles SW	15.00	300.00	225.00	.18		
19 " "	19.37	500.00	1802.00	1.45	1.63	

The 1838 Personal Property Tax List for Botetourt County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following household:

Names	W Ovr 16	S. Ovr 16	S. Ovr 12	Horses	Carryalls No	Carryalls $	Coaches No	Coaches $	Amt of Tax $ Cts
Solomon Wright	1	3	1	4					1.52

Roanoke County, Virginia, was formed on March 30, 1838, and records for Solomon Wright were listed for that year in both Botetourt County and Roanoke County.

The 1838 Personal Property Tax List for Roanoke County, Virginia, also listed Solomon Wright with the following household:

Names	No Males Over 16	Slaves Over 16	S between 12 & 16	Horses &c
Solomon Wright	1	3	1	4

____	____	Amt of Taxes
		1.52

The 1838 Land Tax List for Botetourt County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following property:

Names	Residence	Estate	No. of Acres & ps.	Local Description of Land
Solomon Wright	Botetourt	Fee Simple	15.00	Roanoke
Same	"	"	93.00	Tinker Creek

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of of Land pr. Acre Including Buildings $ Cts	Value of Buildings $	Value of Land & Buildings $ Cts	Amt. of Tax Tax $ Cts	Amt of Tax $ Cts	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
20 Ms SW	15.00	300.00	225.00	.23		
19 " "	19.37	500.00	1802.00	1.81	2.04	

The 1838 Land Tax List for Roanoke County, Virginia, also listed Solomon Wright with the following property:

Name	____	___	__	__	_____
Solomon Wright	Roanoke	Fee Simple	15	"	Roanoke R
Same	Roanoke	Fee Simple	93	"	Tanta Creek

10 miles E	16.80		225.00	.23	
"	19.27	500.00	1802.00	1.81	2.04

This is the same land as that previously listed in the Botetourt County Land Tax List and reflects the transfer of jurisdiction over the land to the newly formed county of Roanoke.

The 1838 Land Tax List - Reassessment for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following property:

Name of Owners	Residence	Kind of Estate	No of Acres	Acres Poles	Description or situation of the Land
Solomon Wright	Roanoke	Fee Simple	15		
Roanoke R					
Same	"	"	93		Tinker Cr

Distance and bearing from the Courthouse	Value of Land per acre under last assessment, including building Dollars Cents	Sum added to Land on account of buildings under last assessment	Present value of land per acre including buildings Dollars Cents
10 miles E	15.00		15.00
"	19.37	500.00	20.00

Sum added to the present value of the Land on account of buildings	Remarks
300.00	

The 1839 Personal Property Tax List for Botetourt County, Virginia, did not list a Solomon Wright.

The 1839 Personal Property Tax List for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following household:

Names	No Males Over 16	Slaves Over 16	S between 12 & 16	Horses	Gigs	Amt of Taxes
Solomon Wright	1	3	1	5		1.60

The 1839 Land Tax List for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following property:

Name of Owners	Residence	Estate Whether in fee or for Life	Number of Acres Acres	Poles	Situation of the Land
Solomon Wright	Roanoke	Fee	15	"	Wts Roanoke R
Same	"	"	93	"	Tinker Creek

Distance and bearing from the Courthouse	Value of land and buildings per acre $ ¢	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of land and buildings $ ¢	
10 E	15.00	300.00	225.00	.23
"	17.22	"	1602.00	1.60

Amount of Taxes $ ¢	Remarks
1.83	200$ taken off for Decay of buildings

The 1840 Personal Property Tax List for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following household:

Names	White Males Over 16	Slaves Over 16	S between 12 & 16	Horses	Amount of taxes $ ¢
Solomon Wright	1	3	1	4	1.52

The 1840 Land Tax List for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following property:

Name of Owners	Residence	Kind of Estate	Number of Acres	Poles	Description or Situation of the Land
Solomon Wright	Roanoke	fee sim	15		Roanoke R
Same	"	"	93		Tinker Creek

Distance and bearing from the Courthouse	Value of land per acre including buildings	The sum added to the value of the land on account of buildings	Total value of Land & buildings	
10 E	15.00		225.00	.23
"	20.00	300.00	1860.00	1.86

Amount of Taxes	Remarks
2.09	

The 1840 Census for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed Soloman Wright with the following household:

Names of Heads of Families	Free White Persons Males	Age	Free White Persons Females	Age
Soloman Wright	1	40-50	1	30-40
			1	20-30

Free Colored Persons Male	Age	Free Colored Persons Female	Age	Slaves Males	Age	Slaves Females	Age
				1	24-36	1	10-24
				2	10-24	2	0-10
				3	0-10		

	Number of Persons in each Family Employed in					
Total	Mining	Agriculture	Commerce	Manufacture and trades	Navigation of the ocean	Navigation of canals lakes and rivers
12		4				

Learned professions and engineers	Pensioners for Revolutionary or Military Services included in the foregoing		Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane White Persons Included in the Foregoing		
	Names	Ages	Deaf and Dumb No.	Ages	Blind

Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane White Persons Included in the Foregoing [Continued]		Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane Colored Persons Included in the Foregoing			
Insane and Idiots		Deaf, Dumb, and Blind		Insane and Idiots	
Insane and idiots at public charge	Insane and idiots at private charge	Deaf & Dumb	Blind	Insane and idiots at private charge	Insane and idiots at public charge

Schools, &c.						
Universities or College	Number of Students	Academies & Grammar Schools	No. of Scholars	Primary and Common Schools	No. of Scholars	No. of Scholars at public charge

No. of white persons over 90
years of age in each family
who cannot read or write

This record indicates that Solomon Wright was born between 1790 and 1800 and that Sarah (Bright) Wright was born between 1800 and 1810.

The 1841 Personal Property Tax List for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following household:

Persons Names	White Males Over 16	Slaves over 16	Slaves over 12	Horses Mules &c
Solomon Wright	1	3	1	5

Carryalls	Carriages Baruches &c	Amount of Taxes
		2.22½

On November 19, 1841, at Roanoke County, Virginia, D.B. D/379 Solomon Wright purchased the interest of John M. Bright in a parcel of land:

> "This Indenture made and entered into this 19th day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty one between John M Bright of Rockingham County and State of North Carolina of the one part and Solomon Wright of the County of Roanoke and State of Virginia of the other part, Witnesseth in that the Said John M. Bright for and in consideration of the Sum of one dollar to him in hand paid by the said Solomon Wright the receipt whereof he doth hereby acknowledged hath granted bargained and sold and by these presents doth grant bargain Sell, confirm, and deliver unto the Said Solomon Wright his interest or legacy in a certain tract or parcel of land Willed by Daniel McNeal Decd to May Bright, and her heirs by George Bright, Situated and lying on the Waters of Roanoke River in the County of Roanoke and state of Virginia, to have and to hold the Said intrest in said land unto him the Said Solomon Wright his heirs and assigns for ever, the Said John M. Bright doth covenant for him self, his heirs, Executors, administrators &c that he will forever Warrant and

defend the Said interest against the claims of all Persons what ever In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the above day and date

J M. Bright

Roanoke County to Wit,

We Thomas Tosh and Jeremiah Whitten justices of the peace in the County aforesaid and state of Virginia, do hereto Certify that John M. Bright, party to a certain deed bearing date on the 19th day of November and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid acknowledged the Same to be his act and Deed and desired us to Certify the Said acknowledgment to the Clerk of the County Court of Roanoke in order that the Said deed may be recorded. Given under our hands and Seals this 19th day of November 1841.

Thos Tosh
J. Whitten

In the Clerk's office of Roanoke County Court the 15th day of March 1852

This Deed from J. M. Bright to Solomon Wright was delivered to me and together with the certificate thereon written admitted to Record.

Teste, F. Johnston C"

The 1842 Personal Property Tax List for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following household:

Persons Names	White Males Over 16	Slaves over 16	Slaves over 12	Horses Colts & Mules
Solomon Wright	1	4		5

Carryalls	Gigs	Carriages Baruches &c	M Clocks	S Watches &c	Gold Watches	Amount of Taxes
	1.60					2.72½

The 1842 Land Tax List for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following property:

Name of Owners	Residence	Estate whether in fee or for Life	Number of Acres A P	Situation of the Land
Solomon Wright	Roanoke	fee	15	Roanoke R
Same	"	"	93	Tinker Creek

Distance & bearing from the Courthouse	Value of Land & buildings per Acre $ ¢	Sum Added to the Land on account of buildings	Total value of land and Buildings $ ¢	$ ¢
10 E	15.00		225.00	.28
"	20.00	300.00	1860.00	2.32

Amount of Taxes $ ¢	Remarks
2.60	

The 1843 Personal Property Tax List for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following household:

Solomon Wright	1	4	1	4

Carriages &c	Gigs	Carryalls	M Clocks	W Clocks	S Watches	Amount of Taxes
	1.30					3.36

The 1843 Land Tax List for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following property:

Name of Owners	Residence	Estate whether in fee or for Life	Number of Acres	Situation of the Land
Solomon Wright	Roanoke	fee	15	Roanoke River
Same	"	"	93	Tinker Creek

Directions & bearing from the Courthouse	Value of Land & buildings per Acre	Sum Added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of land and buildings	____
10 E	15.00		225.00	.35
"	20.00	300.00	1860.00	2.79

Amount of Taxes	Remarks
3.14	

The 1844 Personal Property Tax List for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following household:

_____	White Males over 16	Slaves over 16	Slaves over 12	Horses &c	Carriages &c	Carry-alls
Solomon Wright	1	4	1	4		

S L Watches	S Watches	M Clocks	W Clocks	Pianoes	Amount of Taxes	Deeds
					2.50	

The 1844 Land Tax List for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following property:

Names of	Estate whether in fee simple	Number	Situation

Owners	Residence	or for life	of Acres	of the Land
Solomon Wright	Roanoke	fee	15	Roanoke River
Same	"	"	93	Tinker Creek

Directions & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land & Buildings per Acre	Sum added to the Land on account of Buildings	Total value of Land and Buildings	
10 E	15.00		225.00	.28
"	20.00	300.00	1860.00	2.32

Amount of Taxes	Remarks
2.60	

The 1845 Personal Property Tax List for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following household:

Persons Chargeable With Tax	Whites males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses, Mules, &c
Solomon Wright	1	4	1	4

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness and value	Stages, and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches	Patent, lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches

Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianoes and value	Plate over the value of $50	Attornies paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax

Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits, or dividends on state or corporat'n bonds	Am't of monied yearly income over $400 received as salaries or fees of office

Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses, and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
			2.00

The 1845 Land Tax List for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c.	No. of Acres	Description of the land, as to watercourses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Solomon Wright	Roanoke	Fee	15	Roanoke River
Same	"	"	93	Tinker Creek

Distance & bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre, including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings
10 E	15.00		225.00
"	20.00	300.00	1860.00

Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred
.22½	
1.86	

The 1846 Personal Property Tax List for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following household:

Persons Chargeable With Tax	Whites males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses, mules, &c
Solomon Wright	1	4	1	4

4 wheel pleasure carri-ages and harness and value	Stages, and value, includ-ing harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches	Patent, lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches

Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianoes and value	Plate over the value of $50	Attornies paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax

Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits, or dividends on state or corporat'n bonds	Am't of monied yearly income over $400 received as salaries or fees of office

Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value $100	Newspaper printing presses, and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
			2.00

The 1846 Land Tax List for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c.	No. of Acres	Description of the land, as to watercourses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Solomon Wright	Roanoke	Fee	15	Roanoke River
Same	"	"	93	Tinker Creek

Distance & bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre, including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land andd buildings
10 S.E.	15.00		225.00
"	20.00	300.00	1860.00

Am't of tax on the whole, tract, at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred
.23	
1.86	

The 1847 Personal Property Tax List for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following household:

Persons Chargeable With Tax	Whites males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses, mules, &c
Solomon Wright	1	5		3

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness and value	Stages, and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness and value	Gold watches	Patent, lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches

Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianoes and value	Plate over the value of $50	Attornies paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax

Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits, or dividends on state or corporat'n bonds	Am't of monied yearly income over $400 received as salaries or fees of office

Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses, and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
			1.90

The 1847 Land Tax List for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee fee simple, for life &c.	No. of Acres	Description of the land, as to watercourses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Solomon Wright	Roanoke	Fee	15	N Roanoke River
Same	"	"	93	Tinker Creek

Distance & bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre, including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings
10 SE	15.00		225.00
"	20.00	300.00	1860.00

Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred
.23	
1.86	

The 1848 Personal Property Tax List for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following household:

Persons Chargeable With Tax	Whites males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses, mules, &c
Solomon Wright	1	5	1	4

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness and value	Stages, and value, including harness	Carry-alls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches	Patent, lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches

Metal-lic clocks	Other clocks	Pianoes and value	Plate over the value of $50	Attornies paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying speci-fic tax, and amount of tax

Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits, or dividends on state or corporat'n bonds		Am't of monied yearly income over $400 received as salaries or fees of office

Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses, and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
			2.32

The 1848 Land Tax List for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c.	No. of Acres	Description of the land, as to watercourses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Solomon Wright	Roanoke	Fee	15	N Roanoke River
Same	"	"	93	"

Distance& bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre, including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings
10 SE	15.00		225.00
"	20.00	300.00	1860.00

Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred
.23	
1.86	

The 1849 Personal Property Tax List for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following household:

Persons Chargeable With Tax	Whites males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses, mules, &c
Solomon Wright	1	4	1	4

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness and value	Stages, and value, including harness	Carry-alls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches	Patent, lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches

Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianoes and value	Plate over the value of $50	Attornies paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax

Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits, or dividends on state or corporat'n bonds	Am't of monied yearly income over $400 received as salaries or fees of office

Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses, and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
			2.00

The 1849 Land Tax List for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c.	No. of Acres	Description of the land, as to watercourses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Solomon Wright	Roanoke	Fee	15	N. Roanoke River
Same	"	"	93	Tinkers Creek

Distance & bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre, including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings
10 SE	15.00		225.00
"	20.00	300.00	1860.00

Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred
.23	
1.86	

On March 26, 1849, at Roanoke County, Virginia, D.B. D/377 Solomon Wright purchased the interest of Michael Bright in 96 acres of land:

> "This Indenture made and entered into this 26" day of March 1849 between Michael Bright of the County of Franklin and State of Virginia of the one part and Solomon Wright of the County of Roanoke and State aforesaid of the other Part Witnesseth that for and in consideration of the sum of Thirty Dollars to him the Said Bright in hand paid by the said Wright the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath given, granted, bargained sold aliened enfeoffe, and confirmed and do by these Presents doth give, grant, bargain sell alien enfeoff and confirm unto the Said Wright, his heirs and assigns, all the right title and interest of the Said Michael Bright in and to a certain tract or parcel of Land, lying and being in the County of Roanoke and State of Virginia it being the Same land devised by ____ McNiel in his lifetime to Polly Bright and her heirs (the said Michael Bright being one of the heirs of the Said Polly) and which said tract of land is Situate near the mouth of ___ Creek and is supposed to contain about ninety Six acres be the same more or less, To have and to hold the Said interest

in and to the Said tract of land to him the Said Solomon Wright his heirs and assigns and the Said Michael Bright doth covenant and agree to and with the Said Wright to warrant and forever defend the Wright title and interest of him the Said Bright, his heirs and assigns in and to the Said tract of land free from the claim of him the Said Michael Bright, and his heirs, executors, and administrators and from the claim or claims of all other persons whomsoever, Shall and Will forever warrant & defend In Witness whereof the Said Michael Bright hath hereto set his hand and affixed his Seal the day and date above written

Michael Bright

Franklin County to wit;

We John S. Hale and Peter Saunders Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid and State of Virginia do hereby certify that Michael Bright a party to certain deed bearing date the 27th day of March 1849 and hereto annexed, personally appeared before us in the County aforesaid and acknowledged the Same to be his act and deed, and desired us to certify the Said Acknowledgement to the clerk the County Court of Roanoke in order that Said deed may be recorded. Given under our hands and seals this 27 day of March 1849

John S. Hale, J.P.
Peter Saunders J.P.

In the Clerk's office of Roanoke County Court the 15" day of March 1852. __ Deed from a Michael Bright to Solomon Wright was delivered to me and together with the Certificate thereon written admitted to Record

Teste F. Johnston Cl"

The will of 1849 Thomas Wright dated October 20, 1843, and probated on August 6, 1849, at Franklin County, Virginia, W.B. 7/79 listed Solomon Wright as one of his children:

". . . . Item 4" I have heretofore paid my son Solomon Wright five hundred dollars for which I have taken his receipt and this was intended as his portion of my estate . . . ."

The 1850 Personal Property Tax List for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following household:

Persons Chargeable With Tax	Whites males above 16 years of age	Male free negroes above sixteen	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses, mules, &c
Solomon Wright	1		4	1	5

4 wheel pleasure carri-ages and har-ness and value	Stages, and value, includ-ing harness	Carry-alls and har-ness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carri-ages and harness, and value	Gold watches	Patent, lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches

- Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianoes and value	Harps, and value	Plate over the value of $50	Attornies paying specific tax, and amount of tax

Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits, or dividends on state or corporat'n bonds	Am't of monied yearly income over $400 received as salaries or fees of office

Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Total amount of tax Dollars Cents
		2.10

The 1850 Land Tax List for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c.	No. of Acres	Description of the land, as to watercourses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Solomon Wright	Roanoke	Fee	15	North Roanoke
Same	"	"	93	Tinkers Creek

Distance & bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre, including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings
10 SE	15.00		225.00
"	20.00	300.00	1860.00

Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred
.23	
1.86	

The 1850 Census for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed Solomon Wright with the following household:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Solomon Wright	66	M		Farmer	$2400
Sarah Wright	42	F			

Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
Virginia				
Virginia				

This record places Solomon Wright's birth in about 1784 and Sarah Wright's birth in about 1808. Since 1849 Thomas Wright was residing in Franklin County, Solomon Wright's place of birth was probably at Franklin County, Virginia.

On September 11, 1852, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 22/302 Solomon Wright and other heirs of 1849 Thomas Wright sold 62 acres of land to Joseph Ridgeway:

> "This Deed made this 11" day of September in the year 1852 between Solomon Wright and Sarah his wife Richard Bandy and Margaret his wife, Nancy Richardson, The heirs of Joseph Wright by their agent Solomon Wright, Phoeba Wright, Mary Wright, Elizabeth Paine and Thomas Wright by his agent Solomon Wright all heirs and distributives of the late Thomas Wright Decd of the first part - and Joseph Ridgeway of the second part: Witnesseth that in consideration of the sum of two hundred & fourty dollars, the said Solomon Wright and Sarah his wife, Richard Bandy and Margarita his wife, Nancy Richardson The heirs of Joseph Wright by their agent Solomon Wright Phoeba Wright, Mary Wright, Elizabeth Paine, and Thomas Wright by his agent Solomon Wright all heirs and distributives of the late Thomas Wright decd with general warranty all of a certain price of land lying in the County of Franklin on the waters of Staunton River adjoining the lands of Robert P. Wright, Joseph Ridgeway and others and bounded as follows (to wit) Beginning at pointers thence N. 57° W 55 poles to a poplar on the bank of a branch thence S. 68° 30° W 47 poles to a Red Oak thence N 10° 45 W crossing a branch at 24 poles in all 60 poles to a Chesnut Oak thence N. 89° 15 E. crossing a branch at 36 poles in all 180 poles to a White Oak in Beard's line thence S 26° 15' W 61 poles to a Read Oak, thence S. 72° W 6 poles to a Spanish Oak, thence S. 49° W 58 poles to the beginning containing by Survey Sixty two acres more or less, and the said Solomon Wright & Sarah his wife, Richard Bandy and Margaret his wife, Nancy Richardson and Solomon Wright for the heirs of Joseph Wright, Phoeba Wright Mary Wright, Elizabeth Paine and Thomas Wright by his agent, Solomon Wright, hath hereby covenant with the said Joseph Ridgeway that they will forever warrant and defend the right of the 62 acres of Land from themselves their heirs and from all persons whomsoever Witness of the following signatures and seals.
>
> S. Wright
> Sarah Wright
> Richard his X mark Bandy

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Margaret	X	Bandy
	mark	
	her	
Nancy	X	Richardson
	mark	

S. Wright agent for Joseph Wright
S. Wright agent for Thos Wright

Phebe	X	Wright
	her	
Nancy	X	Wright
	mark	
	her	
Elizabeth	X	Payne
	mark	

Roanoke County To Wit:

I William McDermed a Justice of the peace in the County of Roanoke and State of Virginia do certify that Solomon Wright, Richard Bandy, Nancy Richardson & Pheobe Wright whose names appears to the writing within dated the 11" day of September 1852 has acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid Given under my hand September 18" 1852.

Wm McDermed

Roanoke County To Wit:

We William McDermed and William B. Preston Justices of the peace in the County of Roanoke & State of Virginia do certify that Sarah Wright wife of Solomon Wright and Margaret Bandy wife of Richard Bandy parties to the writing within dated the 11" day of September 1852 personally appeared before us in our said County and being examined by us privily and apart from their husbands, and having the same fully explained to them they acknowledged the said writing to be their act and declared that they had willingly executed the same and wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 18" day of September 1852.

Wm McDermed
Wm B. Preston

Roanoke County, To Wit:

I, William McDermed, a Justice of the Peace in the County of Roanoke & State of Virginia do certify that Mary Wright whose name appears to the writing within dated the 11" day of September 1852 has acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand & seal this 22nd day of Sept. 1852.

Wm McDermed J.P.

Franklin County To wit:

This day personally appeared before me Wm Hopkins a Justice of the Peace in the County aforesaid, Elizabeth Payne whose name appears to the writing within dated the 11" day of September 1852 and acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand the 27 day of November 1852.

William Hopkins J.P.

In the Clerk's Office of Franklin County Court the 20 day of December 185_

This Deed from Solomon Wright and Sarah his wife, Richard Bandy and Margaret his wife, Nancy Richardson, Solomon Wright agent for the heirs of Joseph Wright, Solomon Wright agent for Thomas Wright & Phebe Wright, Mary Wright and Elizabeth Payne to Joseph Ridgeway was exhibited unto the said Office and together with the certificate hereon endorsed admited to record.

Teste:
Ro. A. Scott C.F.C."

On March 1, 1853, at Roanoke County, Virginia, D.B. D/561 Solomon Wright purchased 4 acres of land from Collin Bass, as trustee:

"This Deed made the 1st day of March in the year 1853 between Collin Bass Trustee for Ann McDermed and Ann McDermed of the first part and Solomon Wright of the second part Witnesseth that in Consideration of one hundred dollars the said Collin Bass, Trustee as aforesaid and Ann McDermed doth grant unto the said Solomon Wright, with general Warrantee all of a certain piece of land lying in the County of Roanoke and is Part of the Land which was deeded to the said Collin Bass, Trustee as aforesaid, and is Bounded as follows (to wit) Beginning at a Stake in Solomon Wrights line thence N 80 E 40 poles to a Stake, thence N 49 60 poles to a Stake in McDermed and Nofsingers line thence South 85 W 60 poles to a Black oak and forked white oak, thence S 47.30 W 15.60 poles to white oak thence N 17 E 17 poles to a Pine fallen down, thence S 48.45

W 40 poles to the Beginning - Containing 4 acres, 1 rood and 19 Poles by survey - Witness the following Signatures and Seals.

Ann McDermed
Wm McDermed
Collin Bass Trustee
for Ann McDermed

Roanoke County to wit,

We William B. Preston and E. G. McClanahan Justices of the Peace in the County of Roanoke and State of Virginia do Certify that Ann McDermed wife of William McDermed parties to the writing above dated the 1st day of March 1853 personally appeared before us in our Said County and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the Same fully explained to her she acknowledged the said writing to be her act and declared that she had willingly executed the same and wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 14th day of April 1853

Wm B Preston J.P.
E. G. McClanahan J.P.

In the Clerk's Office of Roanoke County Court, the 18" day of April 1853 This Deed from Colin Bass Trustee & others to Solomon Wright, was produced in said office acknowledged by the said Colin Bass and Wm McDermed, and with the certificate thereon written admitted to Record

Teste
F John ____ C"

On March 1, 1853, at Roanoke County, Virginia, D.B. D/564 Solomon Wright and Sarah Wright sold two parcels of land containing 2 acres each to William McDermed:

"This Deed made the 1st day of March in the year 1853 between Solomon Wright and Sarah Wright his wife of the first part and William McDermed of the Second Part Witnesseth that in consideration of the sum of one hundred dollars to said Solomon Wright & Sarah Wright his wife doth grant unto the said William McDermed with general warranty all of two certain pieces of land lying in the County of Roanoke adjoining the land on which the said William McDermed now resides and is a part of the land on which the said Solomon wright now resides the first piece of land lyes on the South side of the Blue ridge Meeting house road, and bounded as follows (to wit) Beginning in a lane near a Stump thence N 13 30" E 21 poles to the middle of the blue ridge Meeting house road thence

along said road, S 56 15" E 34 poles to a stake thence S 27 40" W 33 poles to the Beginning Containing 2 acres and 14 poles by Survey - the second piece of land also adjoins the land on which the said McDermed now lives and bounded by Roanoke river & Tinkers Creek - Beginning at a large pine stump thence N 42 45" W 32 poles to two white oak stumps thence N 48°, 45" E 4 poles to a stake in Solomon Wright line, thence S 30, 30" W 35.40" poles to a Hornbean on the bank of Tinkers Creek thence down the same as it Meanders S 7.45° W 8__ poles to the junction of Tinkers Creek and Roanoke river thence down said river as it Meanders S 42.45" E 1 poles to a meander in said river thence N 73.15" E 21.60 poles to the Beginning - Containing 2 Acres one __ and 20 poles by Survey - Witness the following signatures and Seals -

Solomon Wright
Sarah Wright

Roanoke County (to wit) I Wm. B. Preston a Justice of the Peace in the County of Roanok and State of Virginia do certify that Solomon Wright whose name appears to the writing above dated the 1st day of March 1853 has acknowledged the Same before me in my County aforesaid; Given under my hand this 1st day of March 1853

Wm. B. preston JC

Roanoke County to wit,

We Wm B. Preston and E. G. McClanahan Justices of the Peace in the County of Roanoke and State of Virginia do Certify that Sarah Wright wife of Solomon wright Parties to the writing afore dated the 1st day of March 1853 personally appeared before us in our said County and being Examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the same fully Explained to her She acknowledged the said writing to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly executed the same and wished not to retract it; Given under our hands and Seals this 14th day of April 1853

Wm B. Preston JP
E. G. McClanahan J.P.

In the Clerks office of Roanoke County Court the 18th day of April 1853. This Deed from Solomon Wright to Wm McDermed was delivered to me, and together with the Certificates thereon written admitted to Record

Teste
F. Johnston: C"

In March 1854 at Roanoke County, Virginia, Clerk's Order Book D/596 Robert P. Wright was appointed administrator of the estate of Solomon Wright:

> "March Court 1854
> . . . .
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> On the Motion of Robert P. Wright, who made oath thereto and together with Joel M Wright, Thomas A Wright, Washington Howell and Lewis W. Richardson, his securities entered into and acknowledged a Bond in the penalty of $8,000.00 cts with condition according to Law the said Robert P. Wright is appointed Admr of Solomon Wright decd - Sarah Wright the Widow of said Solomon Wright having signified to the Court in writing her desire that the said Robert P. Wright be so appointed"

On March 20, 1854, at Roanoke County, Virginia, Appendix Book 2/356 Robert P. Wright, Joel M. Wright, and Thomas A. Wright, Washington Howell, and L. W. Richardson filed their bond for Robert P. Wright to act as administrators of the estate of Solomon Wright:

> "Know all Men by these presents, That We Robert P Wright, Joel M Wright, Thomas A Wright, Lewis W. Richardson, Washington Howell are held and firmly bound unto the commonwealth of Virginia, in the just and full sum of Eight Thousand Dollars, for the payment whereof well and truly to be made, We and each of us bind ourselves, our Heirs, executors, and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents, Sealed with our seals, and dated the 20th day of March 1854. The condition of the above obligation is such; that Whereas the above bound Robert P Wright hath been by the County Court of Roanoke County appointed administrator of Solomon Wright decd and hath been duly qualified as such in the County court of said county - If therefore the said Robert P. Wright shall faithfully discharge the duties of his said Trust according to Law, then this obligation to be void, else to remain in full force and virtue
>
> Robt. P. Wright
> Joel M. Wright
> Thomas A. Wright
> Washington Howell
> L. W. Richardson

At Roanoke County Court March Term 1854. This Bond was entered into, acknowledged by the parties thereto and ordered to be recorded

Teste
F. Johnston C"

In March 1854 at Roanoke County, Virginia, Clerk's Order Book D/597 commissioners were appointed to divide the estate of Solomon Wright:

"March Court 1854

On the motion of Robert P. Wright admr of Solomon Wright decd it is ordered that John H Smith, Wm B Preston, Thomas R Muse, & Michael Ruddell, or any three of them, do appraise the personal Estate of Solomon Wright decd, and make return thereof to the Court.

On the motion of Robert P. Wright and other Distributees of Solomon Wright decd, and it appearing to the Court that he died without issue, leaving a Wife Sarah Wright him surviving, it is ordered that John H Smith, Wm B. Preston, Thomas R Muse, and Michael Ruddell or any three of them divide such of the slaves as the administrator of the said Solomon Wright may be now willing to surrender for distribution and allot one equal half thereof in value to the said Sarah Wright to be held by her for life or the widow of the said Solomon Wright decd"

The Inventory and List of Appraisement of the estate of Solomon Wright was dated March 21, 1854, and recorded at Roanoke County, Virginia, W.B. 2/420. R. P. Wright, his half-brother, was listed as the administrator and a debt of Anthony P. Wright was listed among the decedent's papers:

"Inventory and list of appraisement of the personal estate of Solomon Wright decd made this 21st day of March 1854

	$ cts
1 Big harrow	3.50
1 " Plow	3.00
1 lot Plows	3.00
1 lot Hogs	1.50
2 Sythe & cradle	4.00
3 mowing Sythe	1.50
4 pair gear & waggon Sadde	20.00
1 Waggon	30.00

1 Log chain	2.00
3 Chains & Plow	.50
1 Old Plow	1.00
1 Sorrel horse	100.00
1 Rone horse	50.00
1 Gey mare	20.00
1 Bay mare	30.00
1 culling box	1.00
1 Lot Tobacco	5.00
3 bulls & 1 heifer at 5	20.00
1 Red cow	8.00
1 Pided Cow with horns	8.00
1 Muley	10.00
1 large Red Sow	12.00
1 Tub	.50
5 large shoats & Sow	19.00
11 Shoats at 1.50	16.50
7 Sheep	7.00
12½ bushes corn 75 cts	54.37½
7 barrels flour $7	49.00
1 cow bell	2.25
1 iron wedge	.25
1 axe	.25
1 negro women May	500.00
1 boy Green	1100.00
1 boy Jim	1100.00
1 boy Tony	750.00
1 girl Mary Jane	850.00
1 bed & furniture	15.00
1 " " "	20.00
1 Trunk	1.00
2 round Tables	5.00
1 tea board cups	1.00
5 silver table spoons	15.00
1 table	1.50
3 Jars	.50
2 buckets	.50
5 plates candstick, Knives & fork	.50
7 tumblers & glass	1.25
1 Beaureau	5.00
2 chairs	.50
1 Table	.50
5 crocks	.50

1 wash pan water &	.50
1 mans saddle	3.80
1 shot Gun	4.00
1 desk	2.00
1 cupboard	4.00
291 lbs bacon at 8 cts	23.28
2 small wheels & reel	.50
½ Bushel & 1 pair stillards	1.50
1 pair waffle irons	.50
1 hammer & saw	.50
1 Pickling tub	.25
1 Kettle	3.00
1 pot	.75
1 oven	.37
1 do	.50
1 tea Kettle	.25
2 Blankets	1.00
1 pepper box & salt stand	.25
1 auger & chisel	37½
1 hay stack	10.00

Wm B Preston)
John H. Smith) Commissioners
Thos. R. Muse)

Lis of Debts found among the papers of Solomon Wright decd due the estate

1 Bond on Wm Simmons of $1440-50/100 Due 1st April 1820
1 ditto " Geo Bright " $20-00/100 " 1st " 1836
1 " on Anthony P Wright ritten with pencil(?) of
$130-20/100 due 28" April 1829"
1 ditto on David Aliff of $1-25/100 due 11th May 1831
1 ditto on A. P. Wright $4-00/100 " 4 June 1828

R. P. Wright admr of
S. Wright decd.

At Roanoke March Court 1854

On the motion of Robert P. Wright administrator of Solomon Wright decd, it is ordered that John H. Smith, Wm B. Preston, Thos R. Muse & Michael Ruddell or

any three of them do appraise in current money the personal estate of said Solomon Wright decd. and make report thereof to court.

A Copy
Teste
F. Johnston C"

A List of Sales of the property of Solomon Wright was dated April 6, 1854, and recorded at Roanoke County, Virginia, W.B. 2/430 and included sales to the widow Sarah Wright, among others:

"List of Sale of the property of Solomon Wright deceased on the 6" day of April 1854 " 8 mos credit

		$ cts
Sarah Wright - widow	2 round tables	5.00
Do	1 tea board & cups	1.00
Do	1 muley cow & calf	10.00
Do	1 Bed Stead & bedding	20.00
Do	1 looking Glass & 7 tumblers	1.25
Do	6 1st choice shoats at $1.50	9.00
Do	1 tea Kettle	.25
Gross Richardson	1 Harrow	3.25
Joel Wright	1 large Plow	1.00
Do	1 Bull tong	.75
William Muse	1 " "	.80
Do	1 Shovel Plow	.25
Joel Wright	2 swingle trees & bull tongs	.65
John Board	2 plows & 1 hoe	.50
M. Ruddle	3 hoes	.80
Joel Wright	1 old plow & cleves	.25
P. M. Thrasher	1 Pair chains, 1 halter chain	.30
Charles Simmons	1 iron wedge	.25
John Board	1 axe, 1 sythe & cradle	2.55
William B. Preston	1 Do Do	1.50
Do Do	1 mowing sythe	.35
James Mcfalls	1 Do do	.30
Luke Richardson	1 do do	.25
J. M. Wright	1 Anville	.37
Joel Wright	1 Pair stretcthers	.65
		$61.27
Thos Tosh	1 log chain	2.50
Jeremiah Wright	1 large Sow	3.45

John Board	1 Spotted Sow	1.00
Thos. Tosh	5 shoats at $1.60	5.00
Gerome B. Settles	24 Bushels corn at 89 cts	19.80
Luke Richardson	20 do do at 90	18.00
T. A. Wright	20 do do at 87½	17.40
Harvey Simmons	12½ do do at 84	10.50
John Medly	1 Cow bell	
T. A. Wright	1 brown horse	40.00
J. G. Sperry	1 Iron Grey mare	41.00
J. D. Eddington	1 Grey mare	12.00
S. G. Wood	1 Sorrel horse	127.00
J. H. Smith	1 Waggon	20.00
John W. Mays	1 set hind gear	12.25
J. W. Vineyard	1 Waggon Saddle	1.70
Joel Wright Sen	2 pair four gear	5.00
M. James	1 cutting box	.25
P. Kefauber	1 heifer & 8 bulls at $6.30	25.20
James Mcfalls	1 horned cow wit spots	5.50
Charles Hopkings	1 Pided do short horns	12.00
J. Kefauber	1 Red cow	10.75
John Board	2 sows at $1.50	3.00
Luke Richardson	2 " 1 sandy spotted	4.00
T. R. Muse	1 lot tobacco	1.00
Thomas Lunsford	1 Hay Stack	20.50
Peter Kefauber	1 Negro boy Jim for cash	1015.00
		$1434.80
J. C. Stover	7 head Sheep at $1.57½	9.60½
H. Lemmon	1 auger & Keg	.50
Sarah Wright	1 do "	.25
John Mays	1 Trunck	10
Sarah Wright	1 Bucket	.25
Do Do	1 do	.25
Jno Crouch	1 Candlestick & jar	.14
W. Feathers	2 Jars	.07½
W. Angel	1 stove churn	.25
J. Crouch	1 Salt stand & peper box	.21
J. D. Eddington	1 Water	.06
James M. Bandy	1 Beaureau	5.00
J. Wright Sen	1 lot old irons	.12½
Robert Hardy	1 hand saw	.30
J. H. Vinyard	1 pair waffle irons	.16
P. M. Thrasher	1 Desk	1.95
Sarah Wright	1 churn	.12

James Mcfalls	2 chairs	.25
William Cauley	1 Pair Stillyards	.65
W. H. Spoudlin	291 Pounds Bacon at 12-3/4 cts	36.75
Phebe Wright	1 Kettle	2.10
J Childress	1 oven & pot	1.00
Sarah Wright	6 silver spoons	12.00
W. Feather	1 cupboard	5.05
J. S. Sattle	½ bushel measure	.37½
T. Nichols	1 was pan	.16½
Lewis Johnson	5 plates	.20
		$78.60½
J. D. Eddington	3 Jars	.10
Sarah Wright	1 Table	.12
T. Nichols	1 Flax wheel	.16
E. Shout	1 Reel	.06
David Gish	1 Bed & furniture	15.00
E. Shout	1 Shot gun	5.00
White Vinyard	8 saw logs	1.62½
L. D. Preston	12.B, Ship stuff at 14½	1.74
N. T. Haynes	8 " brand at 15	1.20
J. B. Settles	1 chisel	.15
Sarah Wright	1 mans saddle	3.00
		28.15½
		61.27
Amounts brot over		1434.80
		78.40½
Whole amt		$1602.83

R. P. Wright admr of
S. Wright decd"

In March 1854 at Roanoke County, Virginia, Court Order Book D/597 the following order regarding the estate of Solomon Wright was filed:

"March Court 1854 --

. . .

On the motion of Robert P Wright and others Distributees of Solomon Wright decd, and it appearing to the Court that he died without issue, leaving a wife Sarah Wright him surviving, it is ordered that John H. Smith, Wm. B. Preston, Thomas R. Muse, and Michael Ruddell or any three of them divide such of the slaves as the administrator of the said Solomon Wright may be now willing to surrender for distribution, and allot one equal half thereof in value to the said

Sarah Wright to be held by her for her life or the widow of the said Solomon Wright decd."

On August 28, 1854, at Roanoke County, Virginia, S.B. 1/310 a survey and division of the land of 1854 Solomon Wright was filed:

"Surveyed and Divided by the Direction of Commissioners appointed for the purpose the Land of Solomon Wright Deceased agreeable to the annexed Plat the land is lying in the County of Roanoke on the East side of Tinker Creek

No. 1
Contains 33 acres was laid off for Wright Widow of the said Solomon Wright as her Dower in said Lands and is bounded as followeth To wit Beginning at a large White oak in the Fork of the Road at 1 thence along the left Fork N 45-1/4 E 28 poles to a white oak at 2 S 80 E 5 poles to a Spanish oak below a Spring at 3 S 3-1/2 E 13-1/2 poles to a black oak at 4 S 66 E 12 poles to a black oak at 5 S 75 E 29-1/2 poles to a black oak at 6 S 51 E 10-1/2 poles to an oak stump at 7 S 40 E 18 poles to the Road at 8 thence along the Road S 62 E 14 poles to 9 opposite the mouth of a lane thence along the same S 15 W 21-1/2 poles to 10 S 88 W 97 poles to a white oak at 11 thence with No. 2 N 11-1/2 E 56 poles to the Road at 12 thence along the Road N 63 W 7 poles to the beginning

No. 2
Contains 13 acres was also laid off & assigned to ____ Wright and is bounded as follows To wit Beginning at a large white oak in the fork of the Road at 1 Corner to No. 1 thence with the same S 63 E 7 poles to a stake at 12 thence S 11-1/2 W 56 poles to a white oak at 11 thence S 21 W 41 poles Crossing a branch to a stone fence at 12 thence along the same S 84 W 1-1/2 poles to 14 Corner to No. 3 with a line of the same N 4-1/2 W 96 poles Crossing the branch to the Road at 15 thence along the Road N 88 E 29 poles to the beginning

No. 3
Contains 26 Acres was laid off and assigned to John Board & is bounded To wit Beginning in the Road Corner to No. 2 at 15 thence along the Road S 88 W 52 poles to No. 4 at 16 thence with the same S 19-1/2 E 112 poles crossing the branch to the West post of the Draw Rails at 17 thence along the same N 55 E 10 po to 18 thence N 65 E 12 poles to 19 thence N 84 E 4 poles to 14 thence with No. 2 N 4-1/2 W 96 poles to the beginning

No. 4
Contains 46 Acres is bounded as followeth To wit Beginning at the Creek just above the Fording thereof at 25 thence along the Road N 52 E 40 pole to 26 thence N 89 E 6 poles to 16 Corner to No. 3 thence with the same S 19-1/2 E

112 po Crossing the branch to the West post of the Draw Rails at 17 thence along the stone fence N 55 E 10 poles to 18 thence N 65 E 12 poles to 19 thence N 84 E 5 poles to the outside line of the original Tract at 13 thence with the same S 21 W 62 pole to a white oak at 20 thence S 70 E 21 poles to an oak stump in a field at 21 Corner to the land of William McDermid thence with his line N 35 E 14 poles to a Double white oak & black oak at 22 thence Due South 49 poles to a Rock pile on a ridge at 23 thence along said Ridge S 80 W 54 poles to a sowerwood on the bank of the Creek at 24 thence up the Creek as it Meanders 200 poles to the beginning

Plats rendered for the) August 28th 1854
above Divisions) Jno. Snyder SRC"

A plat of that survey from the Survey Book appears as follows:

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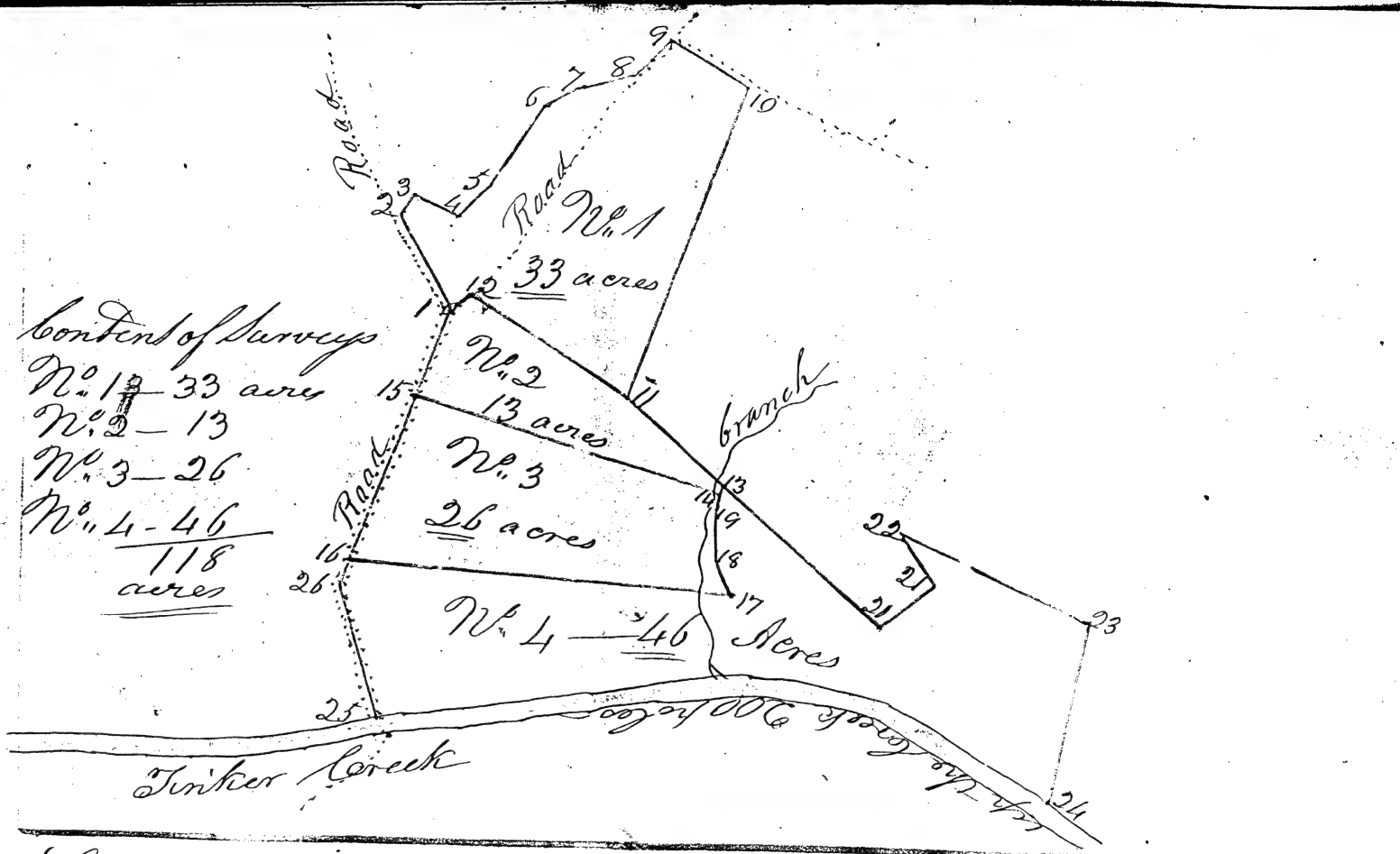


Surveyed and Divided by the Direction of Commissioners appointed for the purpose the Land of Solomon Wright deceased agreeable to the annexed Plat the land is lying in the County of Roanoke on the East side of Tenker Creek

No. 1 contains 33 acres was laid off for Wright Widow of the said Solomon Wright

A revised survey and division of the land of Solomon Wright dated August 28, 1854, was filed in August 1854 at Roanoke County, Virginia, W.B. 2/493:

"Surveyed and laid off agreeable to the annexed Plat the land of Solomon Wright Deceased the land is lying in the County of Roanoke on the East side of Tinker Creek No 1 Contains 33 acres was laid off and assigned to Sarah Wright as her Dower in the land of the Said Solomon Wright & is bounded as followeth To wit Beginning at a large white oak in the fork of a Road at A Thence along the left fork thereof N 45 E 28 poles to a white oak at 2 Thence S 80 E 5 poles to a Spanish oak at 3 thence S 3-1/2 E 12- 1/2 poles to a black oak at 4 thence S 66 E 13 poles to a black oak at 5 thence S 75 E 29-1/2 poles to a black oak at 6 thence S 57 E 10-1/2 poles to an oak Stump at 7 thence S 40 E 18 poles to the Road at 8 Thence along the same S 62 E 14 poles to the opposite the mouth of a lane at - 9 thence along the middle thereof S 15 W 21- 1/2 poles to a slate at 10 thence S 88 W 91 poles to a white oak Corner to No. 2 at 11 thence with the same N 11- 1/2 E 56 poles to the Road at 12 thence along the same N 63 W 7 poles to the Beginning No. 2 Contains 13 acres was laid off and assigned to the said Sarah Wright and is bounded as followeth To wit Beginning at a lago white oak in the fork of a Road at A Corner to the Dower thence with the Same two lines S 63 E 7 poles to 12 thence S 11-1/2 W 56 poles to a white oak at 11 thence leaving the Dower S 21 W 41 poles crossing a Small branch to a stone fence at 13 corner to No. 5 thence with Sd fence S 84 W 1-1/2 poles to a Stake Corner to No 3 thence with a line of the same N 4-1/2 W 96 poles crossing Sd branch to the Road at 14 thence along the Same N 89 E 29 poles to the Beginning No. 3 Contains 13 Acres was laid off and assigned to _____ Board wife of John Board and is bounded as followeth. To wit Beginning in the Road corner to No. 2 at 14 thence with a line of the Same S 4-1/2 E 96 poles crossing a branch to a stone fence on a line of No. 5 thence with the same and the Sd fence S 84 W 4 poles to 15 thence S 65 W 9 poles to 16 Corner to No 4 thence with the same N 10-1/2 W 100 poles crossing the branch to the Road at 17 thence with Sd Road N 89 E 25 po: to the Beginning No. 4 Contains 13 acres was laid off and assigned to John Board and is bounded as followeth Viz - Beginning in the Road Corner to No. 3 at 17 thence with a line there of S 10-1/2 E 100 poles Crossing the said branch to a Stone fence on a line of No 5 at 16 thence with the same S 55 W 13 poles to the west post of the draw rails at 18 thence N 18 W 112 poles crossing the branch to the Road at 19 thence along the same S 88 E 25 poles to the Beginning No 6 Contains 46 acres was sold & (Wm Watts became the purchase) as is bounded as followith to wit. Beginning in the Road Corner to No 4 at 19 thence with the Same S 18 E 112 poles Crossing the said branch to the west post of the Draw Rails by the stone fence at 18 thence with the stone fence making the Same the line N 55 E 12 poles to 16 thence N 65 E 14 poles thence N 84 E 5-1/2 poles to the outside of the original Tract at 13 thence with the lines thereof S 21 W 62 poles to a white oak at 20

thence S 70 E 21 poles to an oak Stump in a field at 21 thence N 35 E 14 poles to a double white oak and a black oak corner to the land of McDermid at 22 thence with the same due South 49 poles to a pile of stones on a Ridge at 23 thence S 80 W 54 poles to near a Sowerwood on the bank of the Creek at 24 thence up the creek as it meanders 200 poles to where the original Corner a Spanish oak stood above the fording thereof at 25 thence N 52 E 40 po: along the Road to 26 thence S 88 E 6 poles to the Beginning

August 28th 1856
Jno. Snyder S.R.C.

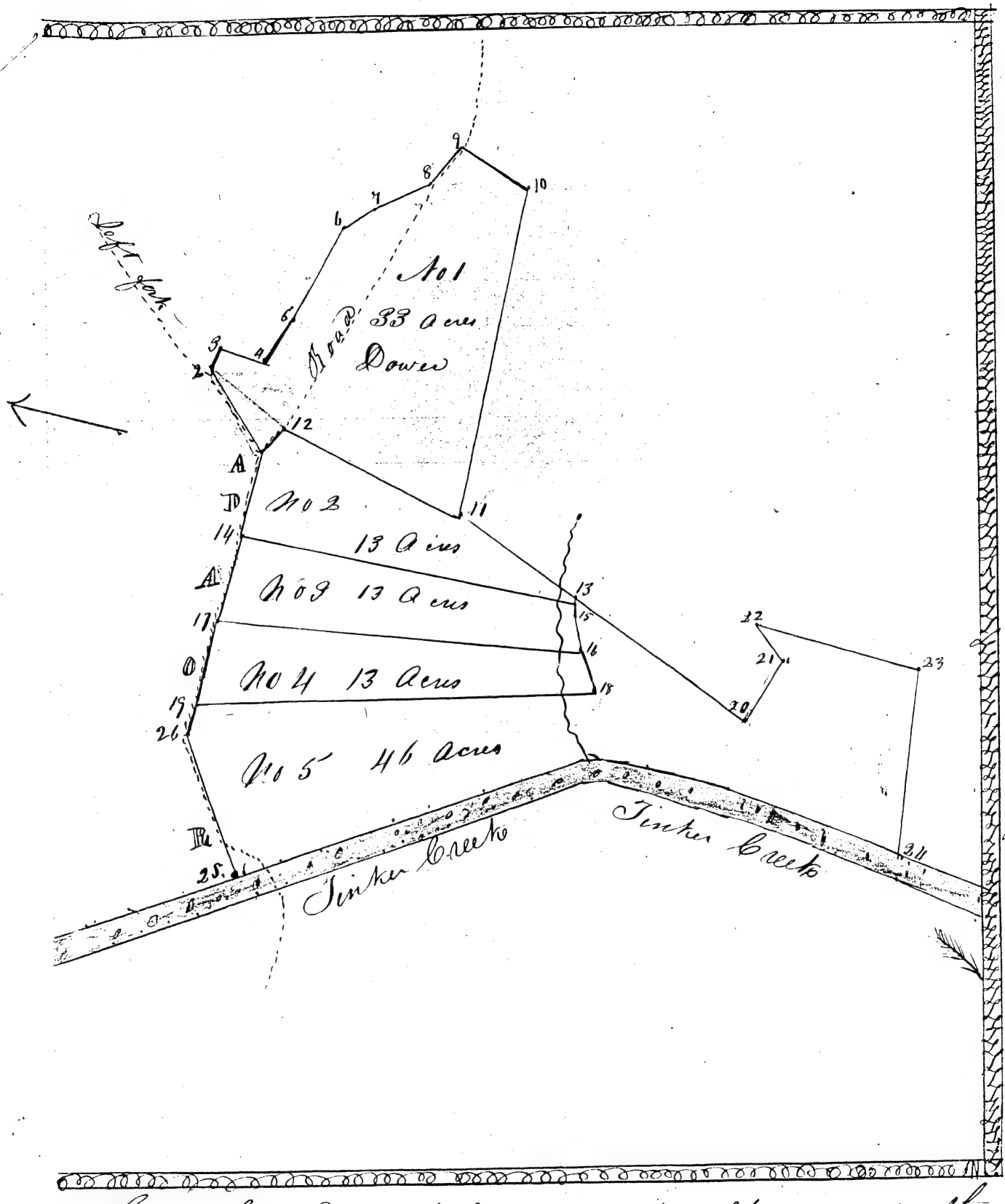
The undersigned who were appointed by a Decree of the County Court of Roanoke County made at 1st August Term 1854 to lay off & divide the land of Solomon Wright Deceased among the parties named in Said Decree proceeded to perform Said duty on the 28 day of Aug. 1854 & made Such division according to the Survey & Report of Jno: Snyder hereto annexed & adopt Said Survey & Report for our own.

Wm B. Preston
John H. Smith
Michael Ruddell

1854 November Court

This Partition of the Lands of Solomon Wright decd was returned to the Court, Confirmed and ordered to be recorded

Teste
F. Johnston C"



6 thence S 57 E 10½ poles to an oak Stump at 7 thence
Road at 8 thence along the same S 12 E 14 poles to the
of a lane at 9 thence along the middle thereof S 15
at 10 thence S 88 W 81 poles to a white oak corner to R
the same N 11½ E 56 poles to the Road at 12 thence along

On August 25, 1855, at Roanoke County, Virginia, D.B. E/383 Sarah Wright, the widow of Solomon Wright, sold 13 acres of land to William Watts:

"This Deed Made the 25" day of August in the year eighteen hundred & fifty five (1855) between Mrs. Sarah Wright, (Widow of Solomon Wright deceased) of the one Part & William Watts of the other part, both of the County of Roanoke & State of Virginia, Witnesseth, that in Consideration of the Sum of four hundred & fifty five dollars ($455.00 cts) to be paid on the 12" day of July 1857 & for which the said William Watts has this day executed his Bond to the said Sarah Wright) She the said Sarah Wright doth hereby grant to the said William Watts with general Warranty all that Lot or parcel of ground in quantity thirteen Acres which was allotted to the said Sarah Wright in her own right as one of the Heirs of George Bright Deceased, in the division of the Land held by Solomon Wright in his life time. Said Lot or parcel of Land is assigned as Lot Number 2 in the Report & Plat of Division made by the Commissioners, who divided the Land of Solomon Wright acting under a decree of the County Court of Roanoke, which Report & Plat of Division was Recorded in the Clerks office of the County Court of Roanoke (Will Book for 1855 Page 493) and referance is hereby made thereto for a more particular description of Said Land & especially its boundaries & location.

In testimony of all which Witness the following signatures & seals.

Sarah Wright

Virginia)
Roanoke County to wit)

I, William McDermed a Justice of the peace in & for the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do certify that Mrs. Sarah Wright the Widow of Solomon Wright deceased, whose name is signed to the foregoing writing bearing date the 25th day of August 1855, has acknowledged the Same before me in my County aforesaid.

Given under my hand this 25th day of August 1855.

Wm McDermed JP.

In the Clerk's office of Roanoke County Court the 27th day of August 1855 This Deed from Sarah Wright to Wm Watts was acknowledged to me, and together With the Certificate thereon written admitted to Record.

Teste
S. Ward D Cl"

On September 17, 1855, at Roanoke County, Virginia, Inventory and Sales Book 3/12 F. Johnston filed his bond as receiver for the proceeds of the sale of the land of Solomon Wright:

"Know all men by these presents, that We S. Johnston and William Watts are held and firmly bound unto the Commonwealth of Virginia, in the Just and full Sum of Sixteen Hundred Dollars, for the payment whereof well and truly to be made, we and each of us bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, and administrators, Jointly and severally, firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals, and dated the 17th day of September 1855. The Condition of the above Obligation is such; That whereas, the above bound F. Johnston hath been by the County Court of Roanoke County appointed Reeiver to receive the proceeds of the Sale of the Lands belonging to the Estate of Solomon Wright decd. under a Decree of the County Court of Roanoke If therefore the said F. Johnston shall faithfully discharge the duties of his said office of Receiver according to Law then this obligation to be void, else to remain in full force and virtue.

F. Johnston
Wm Watts

At Roanoke County Court September Term, 1855.

This Bond was entered into, Acknowledged by the parties thereto and ordered to be Recorded

Teste
F. Johnston C"

In October 1855 at Roanoke County, Virginia, Inventory and Sales Book 3/29 Robert P. Wright filed an accounting for the estate of Solomon Wright:

"Robert P. Wright Admr of Solomon Wright decd
In a/c with the Estate of Said Deceased Dr

1854				
April 6	To Cash recd for Negro man Jim 1015.00			
Dec 6	" Amt of Sales of the other personal Property Sold at 8 mos Credit from 6" April 58783			1602.83
May 1	" Cash recd from A__ A McClanahan for flour sold			47.90
Aug	" Hire of two negroes from 6th Apl to 24th August 1854			33.00
Dec 6	" this Sum recd for crop of Wheat after payment of Expense			109.91
	" Rent of Land to Wm Muse 20.00			
	" do of do to Jas Ruddell 40.00			
	" do of do to J. M. Wright 6.50			
	" do of do to John Board 25.00			91.50
				$1885.14
1854	Credits			
Apl 6	By this Sum retained by Admr to pay the Heirs of Thomas Wright deceased Amt due them by Solomon Wright at the time of his death		29.23	
	this Sum retained to pay Wm B. Preston, John H. Smith, M Huddell, and Thos R. Muse, each pr for 2 days as appraisers & Comrs to (See Voucher) divide the Lands &c		8.00	
	" Amt of Necessary expenses of Admr in attending to the business of the Estate		10.72	
May 6	" Payment of Bond and interest to Lucy Sims	No 1	128.09	
	" do of Bond & int to R Bandy	2	120.53	
	" do of Same to Johnston & Campbell	3	25.00	
	" do of Same to James Davis	4	19.31	
	" do of Same to Wm Bush	5	86.48	
	" do of Same to N. Harris	6	19.97	
				447.33
				1855.14
1854				
June	By payment of Bond & int to Joel Wright	7	6.51	
	" do of a/c to J. G. Read	8	16.12	

	" do of Bond & interest to Sally Thrasher	9	176.96	
	" do of A/c to J. H. Wilson &c	10	.50	
	" do of do to D. H. Gish	11	3.13	
	" do of do to Joel M. Wright	12	2.44	
	" do of do to G. B. Richardson	13	5.35	
	" do of do to G. A. Wingfield	14	30.50	
	" do of do to John Snyder	15	8.50	
	" do of do to Jos Wright	16	2.00	
	" do of do to Wm Nossinger	17	18.48	
	" do of do to Wm B Richardson	18	5.12	
	" do of do to Bedford Sentinal	19	1.31	
1854				
June	By payment of a/c to Trout & Airhart	No 20	5.75	
	" do of do to John Diller	21	5.00	
	" do of do to J. G. Read	22	4.37	
	" do of do to John Ellis	23	1.88	
	" do of do to Tho J Bush	24	4.28	
	" do of do to John Beard	25	10.00	
	" do of do to John Bonsack	26	5.65	
	" do of do to John Board	27	62.71	
	" do of do to George Roull	28	7.00	
	" do of 4 Accounts to N Hanes for the years 1851-2-3-4	29	44.47	
	" do of a/c to Dr Lewis	30	124.00	
	" do of a/c to Gish, Wood & Co	31	139.38	
	" do of a/c to Same	32	30.71	
	" do of a/c to James Wright	33	2.00	
	" do of a/c to Moses Preston	34	1.00	
	" do of a/c to Thos R. Muse	35	2.00	
	" do of 4 Sheriff & Clerks Tickets	36	23.88	
Dec	" do of Bond to Ro. P Wright as Admr to Saml H Clayton	37	290.70	
	" do of Clerks & Coms Ticket	38	6.07	
			1495.07	1885.14
1855				
June 1	By Commissions to admr at 5 p cent on $1885.74			94.25
	" Balance per Estate		295.82	
				1885.14
				1885.14
	To Balance due Estate as above			295.82
	Deduct payt to John Wright as Chain Carrier			1.00
				$294.82

After having given Notice on the door of the Court House of Roanoke County as required by Law, I have prepared the foregoing Statement from papers & Vouchers laid before me by Robert P. Wright Admr of Solomon Wright deceased, Showing a Balance of $294.82 in the hand of the Administrator as of the 1st June 1855 derived from the Sales of Personal Property

Respectfully Submitted to the County Court of Roanoke

F. Johnston Comr.
Sept 24, 1855

1855 Roanoke Oct. Court This Report & Statement returned by Comr. F. Johnston & laid over one month for exception. November Court 1885 there being no exceptions thereto, the Same is Confirmed & ordered to be recorded

Teste
F. Johnston, C"

On November 15, 1855, at Pension File BLW 53396 Sarah Wright filed her application for bounty land by reason of the service of her husband Solomon Wright:

"Claim for Bounty Land.

State of Virginia)
County of Roanoke) SS.

On this 15 day of November A.D. 1855, personally appeared before me, a Justice of the peace within and for the County and State aforesaid, Sarah Bright aged 48 years, a resident of Roanoke in the State of Virginia, who being duly sworn according to law, doth declare on oath hat she is the widow of Soloman Wright deceased, who was a 2nd Ensign in the company commanded by Leut Caveness in the regiment of ____ commanded by ____ in the war Declared by United States against Great Britain on 12th June 1812 that her said husband Volunteered at Turnball Franklin County on or about the 6 day of Febuary A.D. 1815 for the term of Six months and continued in actual service in said war for the term of fourteen Days and was honorably discharged at Richmond Va on the 19 day of Febuary A.D. 1815 on Acct of pleace being made and War Ending

She further states that she was married to the said Sollman Wright in Botetourt County on the 12 day of May A.D. 1830, by one Joel Crumspecker, a Minister of the Gospel, and that her name before her said marriage was Sarah Wright; that her said husband died at his Own house on the 18 day of January, A.D. 1854 and that she is now a widow.

She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the bounty land to which she may be entitled under the act approved March 3, 1855: and I hereby authorize Sam Hale of Taylor Store Franklin Cty to act as my Attorney to prosecute my claim and receive my land warrant and I further declare that this is only application I ever made nor Did my said husband ever make one of my knowledge

Sarah Wright

We, John Board & Bluferd Cary residents of Roanoke County in the State of Virginia upon our oaths, declare that the foregoing declaration was signed and acknowledged by Sarah Wright in our presence, and that we believe, from the appearance and statements of the applicant, that she is the identical person she represents herself to be.

John Board
Alford X Cary

The foregoing declaration and affidavit were sworn to and subscribed before me on the day and year above written; and I certify that I know the affiants to be credible persons; that the claimant is the person she represents herself to be, and that I have no interest in this claim.

E G McClanahan J.P.

State of Virginia County of Roanoke

I, Frederick Johnston Clerk of the County Court, in and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify, that Elijah G. McClanahan whose genuine signature appears to the foregoing declaration and affidavit is, and was, at the time of signing the same, a Justice of the Peace in and for the County and State aforesaid, duly commissioned and sworn, that all his official acts as such are entitled to full faith and credit; and that the aforesaid County Court is a Court of Record, having ____

Given under my hand and seal of my office at Salem this Nineteenth day of November A.D. 1855

F. Johnston Clerk."

On November 25, 1855, at Pension File 53396 Sarah Wright forwarded her application for Bounty land from Taylor Store in Franklin County:

"Taylor Store Franklin Cty Va Nov 25/55

D Sir

Inclosed you will Rd Sarah Wright Widow of Soloman Wright application for bounty Land and with it the Certificate of the Cleark of Bottourt County Certifying to her marrage

With Respt
yours &
Jane Hale"

On September 15, 1856, at Roanoke County, Virginia, D.B. E/602 Joel M. Wright and Robert P. Wright, as commissioners for the estate of Solomon Wright, sold 46 acres of land to William Watts:

"This Deed made the 15th day of September in the Year 1856 between Joel M Wright and Robert P. Wright Commissioners of the County Court of Roanoke of the first part, and William Watts of the Second part

Whereas in a Chancery Cause lately pending in the County Court of Roanoke, in which the heirs of Solomon Wright decd, were plaintiffs and the administrator & Heirs of said Solomon Wright decd were defendants, proceedings were so far had, that at the August term 1854 of said Court, a Decree was entered appointing the above named, Joel M Wright and Robert P. Wright, Commissioners to make sale of the Real & personal Estate of the said Solomon Wright decd in the Bill and proceedings of said Suit mentioned. And the said Commissioners acting under said Decree proceeded on the 21st day of September 1854 to make Sale of the Said Real Estate at which Sale William Watts being the highest bidder, became the purchaser of a certain portion of the Lands of the Said Solomon Wright deceased Containing 46 acres and hereafter more particularly described, at the price of $1610.00 And at the November Term 1854 of said Court, the report of said Commissioners of the Sale aforesaid, having been returned was confirmed by the Court, and afterwards to wit, at the November term 1855, of the said Court, and this Decree was entered appointing the said Joel M Wright & Robert P Wright, Receivers to collect the purchase money aforesaid, and in the payment of the Same they were also appointed Commissioners to convey the said land so purchased by the said Watts, by deed with Special Warranty and Whereas the Said Wm Watts has fully paid the purchase money aforesaid. Now therefore this deed, Witnesseth that in Consideration of the premises and of the purchase Money aforesaid, the said Joel M Wright and Robert P Wright, Commissioners as aforesaid, do hereby grant with Special Warranty unto the Said William Watts, the 46 acres of Land

aforesaid lying in Roanoke County which is described as follows in the plat of said Lands made by the Surveyor of this County of record in the Clerks office of this County. "No 5 contains 46 acres and is bounded as followeth to wit "Beginning in the Road, Corner 1. No 4 at 19 - thence with the Same, S 18 E 112 poles crossing the said branch to the first post of the draw Rails by the Stone fence at 18 - thence with the stone fence making the Same line N 55 E 12 poles to 16 thence N 65 E 14 poles, thence N 84 E 5-1/2 poles to the outside of the original tract at 13 - thence with the lines thereof S 21 W 62 poles to a white oak at 20 thence S. 70 E 21 poles to an oak stump in a field at 21 - thence N 35 E 14 poles to a double White oak and a black oak, corner to the Land of McDermed at 22 - thence with the Same due South 49 poles to a pile of Stones on a ridge at 23 - thence S. 80 W 54 poles to near a Sower Wood on the Bank of the Creek at 24 - thence up the Creek as it meanders 200 poles to where the original corner, a spanish oak stood, above the fording thereof at 25 - thence N 52 E 40 poles along the Road to 26 - thence S 88 E 6 poles to the Beginning"

Witness the following signatures & Seals

Joel M Wright
Robert P Wright

In the Clerks office of the County Court of Roanoke the 15th day of September 1856 - this deed from Joel M Wright and Robert P. Wright Comrs to William Watts was delivered to me, acknowledged by the said Joel M Wright and Robert P Wright and admitted to record

Teste
F. Johnston, C."

On September 15, 1856, at Roanoke County, Virginia, D.B. E/604 Joel M. Wright and Robert P. Wright as commissioners for the estate of Solomon Wright sold 33 acres of land to John H. Smith:

"This Deed made this 15th day of September in the Year 1856 between Joel M Wright and Robert P. Wright, commissioners of the County Court of Roanoke of the first part and John H Smith of the Second part Whereas in a chancery cause lately pending in the County Court of Roanoke in which certain Heirs of Solomon Wright decd were plaintiffs and the admr and Certain other Heirs of said Solomon Wright decd were defendants, proceedings were so far had, that at the august term 1854 of said Court a Decree was entered in said Cause appointing the above named Joel M Wright and Robert P Wright Commissioners to make Sale of the Real & personal Estate of said Solomon Wright decd in the Bill & proceedings of said Suit mentioned. And the said Commissioners, acting under

said decree, proceeded on the 21st day of September 1854 to make sale of the said Real Estate, at which Sale John H. Smith being the highest bidder, became the purchaser of the reversion of that part of the said Land which was assigned to Sarah Wright the widow as her dower, containing 33 acres, & hereafter more particularly described, at the price of $264.00 - And at the November term 1854 of said Court the report of the Said Commissioners of the Sale aforesaid having been returned, was confirmed by the Court and at a November Term 1855 of said Court another Decree was entered in Said Cause appointing the said Joel M Wright and Robert P. Wright receivers to collect the purchase money aforesaid, and on the payment of the same they were also appointed Commissioners to convey the reversion of said Land so purchased by the said Smith, by deed with Special Warranty - and the said Smith has fully paid the purchase money aforesaid.

Now therefore in consideration of the premises and of the purchase money aforesaid, the said Joel M Wright and Robert P. Wright Commissioners as aforesaid, do hereby grant with special Warranty unto the said John H Smith, the 33 acres of Land aforesaid lying in Roanoke County - Subject however to the Dower or life Estate of the said Sarah Wright described as follows in the plat of the Lands of Solomon Wright decd made by the Surveyor of Roanoke County, and recorded in the Clerks office of Said County Court, Viz "No 1, Contains 33 acres, was laid off and assigned to Sarah Wright as her dower in the Land of the said Solomon Wright and is bounded as followeth to wit "Beginning at a large white Oak in the fork of a road at A, thence along the left fork thereof N 45 E 28 poles to a white oak at 2 - thence S 80 E 5 poles to a Spanish Oak at 3 - thence S 3-1/2 E 12-1/2 poles to a black oak at 4 - thence S 66 E 13 poles to a black oak at 5 - thence S. 75 E 29-1/2 poles to a black oak at 6 - thence S 57 E 10-1/2 poles to an oak stump at 7 thence S 40 E 18 poles to the road at 8 - thence along the same S 62 E 14 poles to road at 8 - thence along the Same S 62 E 14 poles to oposite the mouth of a lane at 9, thence along the middle thereof S 15 W 21-1/2 poles to a stake at 10 thence S 88 W 91 poles to a white oak corner to No 2 at 11 Thence with the Same at 11-1/2 E 56 poles to the road at 12 thence along the Same N 63 W 7 poles to the Beginning

Witness the following Signatures & Seals

Joel M Wright
Robt P Wright

In the Clerks office of the County Court of Roanoke this 15th day of September 1856

This deed from Joel M Wright and Robert P. Wright, Commissioners to John H Smith, was delivered to me; acknowledged by the said Joel M Wright and Robert P Wright and admitted to record

Teste
F. Johnston, C"

On December 19, 1856, at Pension File BLW 53396 Michael Bright and Martha McDermett filed their affidavit in support of Sarah Wright's claim for bounty land stating that she was the widow of Solomon Wright:

"State of Virginia
County of Franklin

On this 19 Day of December 1856 personally appered before me Saml Hall a Justice of the for the County and State aforesaid Michael Bright and Martha McDermett and made oath that they weare well acquainted with Soloman Wright and Sarah Wright his wife in the lifetime of the said Soloman Wright and were present at the time of the death of the said Soloman and saw him while he was a Corps and before his Burial and we further State that the said Sarah Wright is a Widow at this time and the Widow of the aforesaid Soloman Wright and that we have no interest in any Clame that the aforesaid Sarah Wright may have for bounty Land Given under our hands this Day Above Written

Michael Bright
Martha McDermett

State of Virginia
County of Franklin

The Above affidavit Was Subscribe and sworn to before on this 19 day of December 1856 and I cerify that the affiants is entitle to the fullest credit Given under my hand this 19 Day of December 1856

Sam Hale J.P.

State of Virginia,
County of Franklin To Wit

I Robert A. Scott Clerk of the County Court in and for the County and State aforesaid do hereby certify that Samuel Hale whose genuine signature appears above, is and was at the time of signing the same, a Justice of the peace in and for the County and State aforesaid duly Commissioned and qualified - that all his official acts as such are entitled to full faith and credit.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the said Court this 19" day of December A.D. 1856.

Ro. A. Scott Clk"

On December 20, 1856, at Pension File BLW 53396 the attorney for Sarah Wright wrote to the commissioner of pensions regarding confusion between her maiden name Bright and her married name Wright:

"Franklin Cty Taylor Store Dember 20/56
To the Comr of Pensions

D Sir

Yours of the 11" Instant enquiring about the application of Sariah Wright No 225707 you ask why Sarah Bright I do not understand it (presisely) I do it is ____ Sarah Bright Where if Right to have __ Sarah Wright no I made out the Declaration myself and if I pick Bright wheare Wright ought to have been it was a mistake of mine the application was for Sarah Wright Widow of Soloman Wright If the mistake is fatal to the aplication you will much oblige me by informing me so that a new application can be made out

With Respt Yours &
Sam Hale
Attry for Sarah Wright

NB I refer you to Col. Street of your office"

On March 16, 1878, at Pension File W.C. 10098 Sarah Wright filed her application for a pension in right of the service of her husband Solomon Wright in the War of 1812:

"Declaration For Pension Of Widow Of War Of 1812

State of Tennessee)
County of Obion) ss:

On this 16th day of March, A.D. one thousand eight hundred and seventy eight personally appeared before me E D Harris Clerk of the County Court of said County the same being a court of record within and for the County and State aforesaid, Sarah Wright aged 71 years, a resident of Troy County of Obion, State of Tennessee who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that she is the widow of Soloman Wright that her said husband served the ____ in the Military service of the United States in the war of 1812; that he was the identical Soloman Wright who under the name of Soloman Wright at Franklin Co on the __ day of ____, A.D. 18__, as a ____ in ____ commanded by ____ in the war of 1812; that he also ____ and was honorably discharged at ____, on the __ day of ____ 18__; that ____ that she was married under the name of Sarah Bright to said Soloman Wright on the 12th day of May, 1830, by Parson Crumpecker, at Big Lick, there being no legal barrier to such marriage; that her said husband died at ____, on the 10th day of January, 1854, and that she has not remarried since his death; that she will support the Constitution of the United States; that she makes this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the pension roll of the United States, under the provisions of paragraphs 4737 and 4738 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, or under the provisions of any other act of Congress which has passed or which may hereafter pass.

She, annuling and revoking all former Powers of Attorney, hereby appoints, with full power of substitution and revocation George E Lemon of Washington, D.C., her true and lawful Attorney, to prosecute her claim and procure the issuance of a pension certificate to her; that Pension has never been applied for, She received Land Warrant 160 Acres, That her Post-Office address is Troy, Obian Co. Tenn.

Sarah Wright"

This record indicates that Sarah Wright was a resident of Troy, Obion County, Tennessee, on March 16, 1878, that Solomon Wright served from Franklin County, Virginia, that her maiden name was Sarah Bright, that they were married on May 12, 1830, at Big Lick, and that Solomon Wright died on January 10, 1854.

On or about March 16, 1878, at Pension File W.C. 10098 Margaret Board and Michael Bright filed their affidavit that Sarah Wright was the widow of Solomon Wright and that he died on January 19, 1854:

"General Affidavit.

State of Tennessee)
County of Obion) SS:

In the matter of the pension claim of Sarah Wright under the pension claim of Sarah Wright under the Act of March 9, 1878, as widow of Solomon Wright

Personally came before me, W S Scott County Court Clerk, in and for aforesaid County and State, Margaret Board and Michael Bright citizens of Obion & Troy, County of Obion, State of Tenn, well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declare in relation to aforesaid case, as follows: That affiants are respectively 59 and 56 years of age, and have been intimately acquainted with the claimant and her husband, the soldier, for the last 48 years. Affiants further state that the claimant and her said husband lived together as man and wife up to the date of said soldier's death, which took place on the 19 day of Jan. 1854; and affiants further state, from personal knowledge, that said claimant has remained the widow of the soldier to the present time.

That they were present and witnessed the marriage of Solomon Wright and Sarah Bright May 12, 1830 and that they have resided in the same neighborhood with claimant ever since.

Affiants further declare that they have no interest in said case, and are not concerned in its prosecution.

Margaret Board
Michael Bright"

Enclosed in Pension File 10098 was a clerk's certificate that the marriage of Solomon Wright and Sarah Bright occurred on May 12, 1830, at Botetourt County, Virginia:

"Virginia)
Botetourt County) to wit:

I B. M. Allen Clerk of the County Court for the said County of Botetourt, in the State of Virginia - the same being a Court of record - Certify that it appears from

the record of marriages kept in said Office that Solomon Wright & Sarah Bright were married on the 12th day of May 1830 by the Revd. Joel Crumpecker

Witness my hand & seal of said Court Affixed in the 15th day of June 1878

B M Allen clk"

Sometime after August 30, 1878, at Pension File W.C. 10098 David Bright and Michael Bright filed their affidavit in response to a letter from the commissioner of pensions that Sarah Wright was the widow of Solomon Wright and had not remarried:

"Department of the Interior
Pension Office
Washington D.C. Aug. 30th 1878

Sir:

You are informed that, in the claim, No. 13,140 of Sarah, widow of Solomon Wright, for service pension under act of March 9, 1878, the affidavit of two disinterested witnesses, their respective ages and means of information being definitely stated, showing that the claimant has not remarried since the death of the soldier, is required.

Please return this letter with the evidence.

Very respectfully,
J A. Beatley
Commission pr WBE

George E. Lemon Esq.
Washington, D.C."

"General Affidavit.

State of Tennessee)
County of Obion) SS: SS.

In the matter of the pension claim of Sarah Wright under the Act of March 9, 1878, as widow of Saloman Wright

Personally came before me, W S Scott Clerk of the County Court in and for aforesaid County and State, David Bright & and Michael Bright citizens of Troy, County of Obion, State of Tennessee, well known to me to be reputable and

entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declare in relation to aforesaid case, as follows: That affiants are respectively 68 and 56 years of age, and have been intimately acquainted with the claimant and her husband, the soldier, for the last of our lives years. Affiants further state that the claimant has not remarried since the date of said soldier's death. But still remains the widow of said Saloman Wright

Affiants further declare that they have no interest in said case, and are not concerned in its prosecution.

David Bright
Michael Bright"

The military service records in File 10098 stated that Solomon Wright was an ensign in Lieutenant Caveness' Company of Virginia Militia in the War of 1812 from January 30, 1815, to February 19, 1815:

"Service Pension,
War of 1812
Widow's Brief

Sarah Wright, widow of Solomon Wright
Rank: Ensign
Captain: Lt. Caveness
Regiment: Militia
State: Virginia

Post Office: Troy, County of Obion, State of Tennessee
Attorney: George E. Lemon
P.O.: Washington Washington County, D.C. Pay Fee $10
Application filed March 22", 1878

Alleged service. Served in the military service of the United States in the war of 1812. Place of enlistment, Franklin Co., Tenn.

Record evidence of service. The 3d Auditor's report, of Oct. 24, 1856, in B.L. case, shows that Solomon Wright served from Jan 30, to Feb. 19, 1815

Length of service. 19 days including Feb. 17th 1815

Proof of identity. The identifying witnesses, David Bright and John Board testify that they were present and saw the claimant sign the declaration, and that, from

their acquaintance with her, they believe she is the person she represents herself to be.

Admitted October 7th, 1878, to a pension of Eight Dollars per month from March 9, 1878 the date of the act. No pension previously applied for

Otto Leising
Pension Searcher.

Warrant for Bounty Land claim 53.396 - 160.55 issued

OBrien
Bounty Land Searcher.

Approved Oct. 10", 1878 Thomas A. Maguire
Redway, Reviewer. Examiner."

On May 23, 1889, at Roanoke County, Virginia, D.B. T/130 Sarah Wright sold her life estate in a tract of land to A. McD. Smith:

"This Deed made this 23rd day of May in the year 1889 between Sarah Wright of the County of Obion Tennessee party of the first part, and A McD Smith of the County of Roanoke Virginia, party of the second part, Witnesseth: That whereas on the 18th day of January, 1854, one Solomon Wright died intestate seised and possessed of a certain freehold herein after fully set forth and described, and whereas a certain portion thereof was assigned by Commissioners appointed by the County Court of Roanoke County, to the said party of the first part as her dower interest in said Solomon Wright's estate And whereas one John H. Smith, the assignor of the said party of the second part, became the purchaser for a valuable consideration of the reversionary interest in said dower land. Now Therefore, in consideration of the sum of Three Hundred Dollars cash, the receipt of which is hereby acknolwedged, the said Sarah Wright doth hereby bargain, sell, grant and convey, with general warranty of title, unto the said A. McD. Smith, her life estate in the following parcel of land to wit: All that certain tract or parcel of land, lying in the County of Roanoke and State of Virginia, and bounded and described as follows, to wit Beginning at a large white oak in the forks of a road at A. thence along the left forks thereof N. 45 E 28 poles to a white oak at 2 thence S 80 E. 5 poles to a spanish oak at 3. thence S. 3-1/2 E 13-1/2 poles to a black oak at 4 thence S. 66 E 13 poles to a black oak at 5. thence S 75 E. 29-1/2 poles to a black oak at 6. thence S. 51 E. 10-1/2 poles to an oak stump at 7. thence S. 40 E. 18 poles to the road at 8 thence along the same S 62 E. 14 poles to opposite the mouth of a lane at 9. thence along the middle thereof S. 15 W. 21-1/2 poles to a stake at 10. thence S. 88 W. 97 poles,

to a white oak corner to No 2 at 11 thence with the same N 11-1/2 E 56 poles to the road at 12 thence along the same N 63 W 7 poles to the beginning.

Witness the following signature and seal

Sarah Wright

State of Tennessee)
Obion County)

Personally appeared before me Geo. B. Morris a Notary Public for Obion County Sarah Wright the within named bargainor with whom I am personally acquainted and who acknowledges that she executed the within instrument for the purpose therein contained. Given under my hand and seal of Office this May 22 1889

Geo. B Morris
Notary Public

In the Clerks Office of the County Court of Roanoke County the 11th day of September 1889 this Deed was presented and together with the certificate thereto annexed admitted to record

Teste
W McCauly Clerk"

On October 12, 1889, Sarah (Bright) Wright filed an application in Pension File 10098 for a new pension certificate, because all of her personal effects were burned in a house fire:

"State of Tennessee, County of Obion, ss:

On this 12th day of October, 1889, before the subscriber, a Notary Public for said county, personally appeared Sarah Wright, who on oath declares that she is the Wife of Soloman Wright who belonged to Company "_____," in the _____ Regiment of _____, in the service of the United States, in the war of 1812; that his name was placed on the pension roll of the State of Virginia; that he received a pension certificate numbered _____ and bearing date the __ day of _____, 18__; that ____ was last paid at Obion Tenn Agency, to include the 4th day of Sept, 1889; and she has not bartered, sold assigned, or pledged her pension certificate, or any interest therein; but that on or about the 2ond day of Oct, 1889, at or near Obion Tennessie the residence of John Board caught fire and burned to the ground burning all of her goods and papers ____ this reason makes application for __ New Certificate the Regiment and Company ____ no of

Certificate I cannot remember ___t is on file in the pension office. I presume I get my money from Knoxville Tennessee I have been drawing pensions here for some 8 or 10 years

My post office address is Obion Tennessee

Sarah Wright

Also, personally appeared Margret Board, who on oath declares that She well knows Sarah Wright, who has executed the foregoing affidavit, to be the identical pensioner named therein.

Margaret Board

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and year aforesaid, the contents being first made known, and I certify that the affiants are persons of veracity.

Geo. B. Morris NP

State of Tennessee)
Obion County)

Personally appeared before me G. B. Morris Notry public for Obion County Luamon Pierce with whom I am personally acquainted and who makes oath and says that he is acquainted with Sarah Wright, widow of Soloman Wright and that she was living at Jno Board's house which was burned on the 2d of Oct 1889 and that the said Sarah Wright lost all of her personal property by said fire. Sworn to and subscribed to before me this the 15th of Nov. 1889.

Geo B. Morris N.P. Luamon Pierce"

On November 6, 1889, at Pension File W.C. 10098 the commissioner required a further affidavit of Sarah Wright that she had been living in John Board's residence when a fire destroyed her papers:

"Department of the Interior.
Bureau of Pensions

Ctf. Dir.
Washington, D.C. Nov. 6", 1889

Madam:

To complete your claim for a duplicate certificate No. 10098 (1812), you should return this letter with an affidavit from one of the neighbors, stating that you were living in John Board's house at the time it was burned and lost your personal property by the fire.

Enclosed is permit to execute December voucher for which you should apply to the Pension Agent.

Mrs Sarah Wright
Obion Tenn.

Very Respectvully,
Green B Raum
Commissioner."

On November 15, 1889, at Pension File W.C. 10098 Luamorn Pierce filed an affidavit testifying that Sarah Wright had been living in John Board's residence when a fire destroyed her papers:

"State of Tennessee)
Obion County)

Personally appeared before me G B Morris Notry public for Obion County Luamon Pierce with whom I am personally acquainted and who makes oath and says that he is acquainted with Sarah Wright widow of Soloman Wright and that she was living at Jno Board's house which was burned on the 2d of Oct 1889 and that the said Sarah Wright lost all of her personal property by said fire. sworn to and subscribed to before me this the 15th of Nov. 1889

Geo B Morris N.P. Luamorn Pierce"

On December 31, 1889, at Pension File W.C. 10098 Sarah Wright was granted her pension:

"Reissue to change rate - certificate destroyed by fire 1812
Widow's Pension
Clamant Sarah Wright
P.O. Obion
County Obion, State Tenn
Soldier Solomon Wright
Rank Ensign, Co. Lieut. Cavenes
Regiment Virginia Militia

Rate, $12.00 per month, commencing Mch 19, 1886, date of the Act and two dollars a month additional for each child, as follows: Issued in lieu of certificate dated Oct. 15, 1878 to show charge of rate.

Submitted for issue, Dec. 31, 1889,

M. E Hartwell, Examiner."

c. Mary Wright

Mary Wright was a daughter of 1849 Thomas Wright of Franklin County and Phebe (____) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1849 Thomas[3])

The will of 1849 Thomas Wright dated October 20, 1843, and probated on August 6, 1849, at Franklin County, Virginia, W.B. 7/79 listed Mary Wright as one of his children:

". . . . Item 5" I give unto my daughter Mary Wright 100 acres of Land called the little cove. beginining at Redquodys line at a corner Hickory runing to a marked corner made by me . . . ."

On February 24, 1848, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 20/263 Mary Wright, the daughter of Thomas Wright, of Roanoke County, Virginia, received 100 acres of land from her father and his wife:

"This Indenture made the 24th day of February one thousand Eight hundred and forty eight between Thomas Wright Susannah his of Franklin County of the one part: and Mary Wright his Daughter of Roanoke County of the other part Witnesseth that the said Thomas Wright for and in consideration of the natural love and affection that he bears and has for his daughter, Mary Wright and for the further consideration of one dollar to him in hand paid the receipt whareof is hereby acknowledged hath given granted bargained and sold and by these presents doth give grant bargain and sell unto the said Mary Wright and her heirs and assigns one certain tract or parcel of Land in Franklin County on the waters of Lynville creek containing one hundred acres and bounded as followeth to wit: Beginning at John Beard's Sowerwood pointers in the old line thence with the old lines North 45 West 124 poles to pointers North 72 West 22 poles to a Chesnut now pointers South 50 West 116 poles to a Hickory now pointers South 10 East 60 poles to pointers off new line North 82 East 170 poles to a white oak in the old line thence with it North 15 East 44 poles to the beginning. Together, with all and singular, the appertenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining.

To have and to hold the said bargained land premises unto the said Mary Wright her heirs and assigns forever free from the claim of him the said Thomas Wright his heirs and assigns and from the just claim and demand of all other person or persons whomever shall and will by these presents warrant and forever defend. In witness whareof the said Thomas Wright & Susannah his wife hath hereunto put his hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Thomas Wright
Susannah Wright

Franklin County S.C.

We Moses Green and Stephen Wood Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia, do hereby certify that Thomas Wright a party to a certain deed bearing date on the 24" day of February 1848 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and desires us to certify the ____ in order that the said deed may be recorded and we further cerfity that Susannah the wife of Thomas Wright parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 24" day of February 1848 and herewith anned personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explanied to her, she the said Susannah Wright acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it Given under our hands and seals this 24" day of February 1848.

Moses Green
Stephen Wood

At a Court held for Franklin County the 7" day of March 1848

This Deed of Gift from Thomas Wright to Mary Wright was exhibited into Court and together with the certificate hereon endorsed ordered to be recorded

Teste
Moses G. Carper CFC"

On October 16, 1848, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 20/398 Mary Wright sold to Joseph Ridgeway 100 acres of land:

"This Indenture made and entered into this 16" day of October 1848. Between Mary Wright, daughter of Thomas Wright of the one Part and Joseph Ridgeway of the other Part both of the County of Franklin and State of Virginia. Witnesseth

that for and in consideration of the sum of three hundred Dollars to her in hand Paid at or before the sealing and delivery of these Presents by the said Joseph Ridgeway she the said Mary Wright hath bargained and sold and by these presents do bargain and sell unto the said Joseph Ridgeway one certain tract or parcel of Land lying and being in the County of Franklin on the waters of Linville Creek and bounded as followeth to wit: Begining at John Beard Sowerwood pointers thence North 45 West 124 poles to to Pointers North 77 West 22 poles to pointers South 50 West 116 to a Hickory South 10 East 60 poles to pointers off dividing line North 82 East 170 poles to a White Oak in Beards line with it North 15 East 44 pol. to the Begining, containing one hundred acre more or less to have and to hold the aforesaid Land and premises together with all the appertainances thereto belonging by him the said Joseph Ridgeway his heirs and assigns forever, and she the said Mary Wright doth bind herself her heirs &c to warrant and forever defend a lawful wright and title to the aforesaid Land and premises unto him the said Joseph Ridgeway free from the claime of herself her heirs and from the claim or claims of all person whomsoever. In witness whereoff she hath hereunto set her hand and seal the day and year above written.

her
Mary X Wright
mark

Franklin County To wit:

We Stephen Wood and Moses Booth Justices of the Peace for the County aforesaid and State of Virginia do hereby certify that Mary Wright daughter of Thomas Wright party to a certain deed bearing date the 16" day of October 1848 and hereto anexed personally appeared before us in our said County and acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and desired us to certify this her acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Franklin in order that the deed aforesaid may be recorded. Given under our hands and seals this 16" day of October 1848.

Stephen Wood, JP.
Moses G. Booth, JP.

In the Clerks Office of Franklin County Court the 19" day of October 1848.

This Indenture of bargain and sale between Mary Wright of the one part, and Joseph Ridgeway of the other part was exhibited into the said Office and together with the certificate hereon endorsed admitted to record.

Teste.
M. G. Carper C.F.C."

The 1849 Personal Property Tax List for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed Mary Wright with the following household:

Persons Chargeable With Tax	Whites males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses, mules, &c
Mary Wright				2

4 wheel pleasure carri-ages and harness and value	Stages, and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches	Patent, lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches

Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianoes and value	Plate over the value of $50	Attornies paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax

Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by pur-chase, including interest, profits, or dividends on state or corporat'n bonds	Am't of monied yearly income over $400 received as salaries or fees of office

Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses, and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
			.20

The 1850 Personal Property Tax List for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed Polly Wright with the following household:

Persons Chargeable With Tax	Whites males above 16 years of age	Male free negroes above sixteen	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses, mules, &c
Polly Wright					1

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness and value	Stages, and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches	Patent, lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches

Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianoes and value	Harps, and value	Plate over the value of $50	Attornies paying specific tax, and amount of tax

Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits, or dividends on state or corporat'n bonds	Am't of monied yearly income over $400 received as salaries or fees of office

Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Total amount of tax Dollars Cents
		.10

The 1850 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Mary Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Taxes whether in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Mary Wright	Franklin	of fee	100	linvell

Distance and bearing from the court house	Value of land per acre, including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total Value of the land and buildings	Amount of tax on on the whole tract, at the legal rate
15 NE	3.00		300.00	.36

Explanation of alterations during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

from Thomas Wright

The 1850 Census for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed a Mary Wright, aged 64 and born in Virginia, in the Jacob Fowler residence:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Jacob Fowler	24	M		Farmer	
Mary C. Fowler	18	F			
Sarah A. Fowler	1	F			
Mary Wright	64	F			

Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				

This was almost certainly Mary Wright, the daughter of 1849 Thomas Wright, but further research to identify Jacob Fowler will be required to confirm this identification.

The 1851 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Mary Wright with the following property:

Owner	Residence	Estate	# of Acres	Name of Tract
Mary Wright	Franklin	fee	100	

Description	Distance	Value	Sum	Total	Amt of Tax
Linville	15 NE	0.00		000.00	.00

Amount of Tax	Explanation
	Conveyed to Ridgeway

On September 11, 1852, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 22/302 Mary Wright of Roanoke County, Virginia, joined with the other heirs of her father to sell 62 acres of land to Joseph Ridgeway:

> "This Deed made this 11" day of September in the year 1852 between Solomon Wright and Sarah his wife Richard Bandy and Margaret his wife, Nancy Richardson, The heirs of Joseph Wright by their agent Solomon Wright, Phoeba Wright, Mary Wright, Elizabeth Paine and Thomas Wright by his agent Solomon Wright all heirs and distributives of the late Thomas Wright Decd of the first part - and Joseph Ridgeway of the second part: Witnesseth that in consideration of the sum of two hundred & fourty dollars, the said Solomon Wright and Sarah his

wife, Richard Bandy and Margarita his wife, Nancy Richardson The heirs of Joseph Wright by their agent Solomon Wright Phoeba Wright, Mary Wright, Elizabeth Paine, and Thomas Wright by his agent Solomon Wright all heirs and distributives of the late Thomas Wright decd with general warranty all of a certain price of land lying in the County of Franklin on the waters of Staunton River adjoining the lands of Robert P. Wright, Joseph Ridgeway and others and bounded as follows (to wit) Beginning at pointers thence N. 57° W 55 poles to a poplar on the bank of a branch thence S. 68° 30° W 47 poles to a Red Oak thence N 10° 45 W crossing a branch at 24 poles in all 60 poles to a Chesnut Oak thence N. 89° 15 E. crossing a branch at 36 poles in all 180 poles to a White Oak in Beard's line thence S 26° 15' W 61 poles to a Read Oak, thence S. 72° W 6 poles to a Spanish Oak, thence S. 49° W 58 poles to the beginning containing by Survey Sixty two acres more or less, and the said Solomon Wright & Sarah his wife, Richard Bandy and Margaret his wife, Nancy Richardson and Solomon Wright for the heirs of Joseph Wright, Phoeba Wright Mary Wright, Elizabeth Paine and Thomas Wright by his agent, Solomon Wright, hath hereby covenant with the said Joseph Ridgeway that they will forever warrant and defend the right of the 62 acres of Land from themselves their heirs and from all persons whomsoever Witness of the following signatures and seals.

S. Wright
Sarah Wright
his
Richard X mark Bandy
her
Margaret X mark Bandy
her
Nancy X mark Richardson
S. Wright agent for Joseph Wright
S. Wright agent for Thos Wright
Phebe X her Wright
Nancy X mark Wright
her
Elizabeth X mark Payne

Roanoke County To Wit:

I William McDermed a Justice of the peace in the County of Roanoke and State of Virginia do certify that Solomon Wright, Richard Bandy, Nancy Richardson & Pheobe Wright whose names appears to the writing within dated the 11" day of September 1852 has acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid Given under my hand September 18" 1852.

Wm McDermed

Roanoke County To Wit:

We William McDermed and William B. Preston Justices of the peace in the County of Roanoke & State of Virginia do certify that Sarah Wright wife of Solomon Wright and Margaret Bandy wife of Richard Bandy parties to the writing within dated the 11" day of September 1852 personally appeared before us in our said County and being examined by us privily and apart from their husbands, and having the same fully explained to them they acknowledged the said writing to be their act and declared that they had willingly executed the same and wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 18" day of September 1852.

Wm McDermed
Wm B. Preston

Roanoke County, To Wit:

I, William McDermed, a Justice of the Peace in the County of Roanoke & State of Virginia do certify that Mary Wright whose name appears to the writing within dated the 11" day of September 1852 has acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand & seal this 22nd day of Sept. 1852.

Wm McDermed J.P.

Franklin County To wit:

This day personally appeared before me Wm Hopkins a Justice of the Peace in the County aforesaid, Elizabeth Payne whose name appears to the writing within dated the 11" day of September 1852 and acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand the 27 day of November 1852.

William Hopkins J.P.

In the Clerk's Office of Franklin County Court the 20 day of December 185_

This Deed from Solomon Wright and Sarah his wife, Richard Bandy and Margaret his wife, Nancy Richardson, Solomon Wright agent for the heirs of Joseph Wright, Solomon Wright agent for Thomas Wright & Phebe Wright, Mary Wright and Elizabeth Payne to Joseph Ridgeway was exhibited unto the said Office and together with the certificate hereon endorsed admited to record.

Teste:
Ro. A. Scott C.F.C."

On April 26, 1854, at Roanoke County, Virginia, D.B. E/139 Mary Wright sold all of her interest in the estate of her brother Solomon Wright to Robert Hardy:

"This Deed made this 26" day of April in the year 1854 between Mary Wright of the first part & Robert Hardy of the second part Witness that in consideration of fifty dollars the said Mary Wright doth grant unto the said Robert Hardy with general warranty all her right title interest in her claim to the estate of Solomon Wright deceased. The said Solomon Wright having died intestate and the said Mary Wright being his sister and all of his heirs at Law, the interest hereby conveyed being her entire interest in and claim to the entire estate both real and personal of the said Solomon Wright deceased

Witness the following signatures and seal

Mary his X mark Wright

State of Virginia County of Roanoke

I David Sloan a justice of the peace in and for the County and state aforesaid do hereby certify that Mary Wright whose name appears to the writing above has acknowledged this same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand this 26th day of April 1854

David Sloan J.P.

In the Clerk's Office of Roanoke County Court this 26th day of April 1854 This Deed from Mary Wright to Robert Hardy was delivered to me and together with the certificate thereon written admitted to record

Teste
F. Johnston C."

d. Nancy (Wright) Richardson, Her Husband William Richardson, And Her Descendants

Nancy (Wright) Richardson was a daughter of 1849 Thomas Wright of Franklin County and Phebe (____) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1849 Thomas[3])

The marriage bond of William Richeson and Nancy Wright was dated on March 24, 1806, at Franklin County, Virginia, with Joseph Wright as surety:

"Know all men by these Presents that We William Richeson and Joseph Wright are held and firmly bound unto William H Cabell Esquire Governor of the Com Wealth of Virginia in the Sum of one hundred and fifty Dollars current money to the Payment whereof Well & truly to be made to the said Governor & his Successors, we bind ourselves and each of us, our & each of our heirs, Executors & Administrators, jointly & severally firmly by these Presents sealed with our seals, and dated the 24th day of March 1806

The Condition of the above Obligation is such that Whereas there is a marriage Shortly intended to be had & Solemnized between the above bound William Richardson and Nancy Wright, now if there Shall be no lawful cause to obstruct the said marriage then the above Obligation to be void else to remain in full force & virtue

Witness
Caleb Tate DC

William Richeson
Joseph Wright"

The will of 1849 Thomas Wright dated October 20, 1843, and probated on August 6, 1849, at Franklin County, Virginia, W.B. 7/79 listed William Richardson as his son-in-law:

". . . . Item 6" I have heretofore paid my son in law Wm Richardson & wife five hundred dollars in a negroe woman & child which I intended as their portion of my estate . . . ."

The 1850 Census for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed William Richardson with the following household:

Name	Age	Occupation	Born
Richardson, William	68	Farmer	Virginia
Nancy	63		Virginia
Greenberry	40	Farmer	Virginia
Lewis	31	Farmer	Virginia
Nancy	22		Virginia
Sarah	15		Virginia

This record places Nancy (Wright) Richardson's birth date in approximately 1787 and William Richardson's in approximately 1782. Since 1849 Thomas Wright was residing in Franklin County, Nancy's place of birth was probably at Franklin County, Virginia.

Immediately adjacent to the William Richardson family in the 1850 Census was Joel Richardon, aged 25, a farmer and born in Virginia, and his wife Margaret, age 22 and born in Virginia, and their one month old infant. This was probably the son of William and Nancy, but further research will be required to confirm the identification.

On January 27, 1851, in Bounty Land Warrant File 53079 Nancy (Wright) Richardson applied for Bounty land by reason of William Richardson's service in the War of 1812 and stated that her husband had died on July 5, 1850, at Roanoke County, Virginia:

> "State of Virginia)
> County of Roanoke) ss.
>
> On this Twenty Seventh day of January A.D., one thousand eight hundred and fifty one personally appeared before me, a Justice of the Peace within and for the county and State aforesaid, Nancy Richardson aged Sixty three years, a resident of Roanoke County in the State of Virginia, who being duly sworn according to law, declares, that she is the widow of William Richardson, deceased, who was a private in he company commanded by Captain Andrew Lewis in the ____ Regiment of Virginia Militia commanded by Col. James McDowell in the War with Great Britain declared 13 June 1812.
>
> That her said husband volunteered at Botetourt County on or about the first day of July A.D., 1813 for the term of six month and continued ____ week and was honourably discharged at Camp Holly on the 5th day of September A.D., 1813

as will appear by his original discharge hereunto sent having procured John Wysong as a substitute for the remainder of his term. She further states that she was married to the said William Richardson in Franklin County on the Twentieth day of March A.D., 1806 by one John Sanders a Minister of the Gospel and that her name before her said marriage was Nancy Wright, that her said husband died at his house in Roanoke County on the 5th day of July A.D., 1850 and that she is still a widow.

She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the bounty land to which she may be entitled under the act passed September 28th, 1850.

Nancy her X mark Richardson

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and year above written.

Wm McDermid

State of Virginia)
County of Roanoke) ss:

I Frederick Johnston Clerk of the County Court in and for the County and State above mentioned, do hereby certify, that William McDermid whose genuine signature appears above, is, and was at the time of signing the same a Justice of the Peace in and for the County and State aforesaid, duly commissioned and sworn; that all his official acts as such are entitled to full faith and credit; and that the aforesaid County Court, is a Court of Record, having general jurisdiction.

Given under my hand and Seal of Office, at Salem this 31st day of January A.D. 1851.

F. Johnston"

This record indicates that the date of birth of Nancy (Wright) Richardson was in about 1788.

Nancy's brother Solomon Wright and her sister Margaret (Wright) Bandy added their affidavits in BLW File 53079 in support of the application:

"State of Virginia)
County of Roanoke) ss.

On this Twenty Seventh day of January A.D., one thousand eight hundred and fifty one personally appeared before me, a Justice of the Peace, within and for the State and county aforesaid Solomon Wright and Margaret Bandy residents of the State of Virginia and county of Roanoke who being duly sworn according to law, declare that Nancy Richardson is the widow of William Richardson deceased, who was a private in the company commanded by Captain Andrew Lewis in the ____ regiment of Virginia Militia commanded by Col. James McDowell in the War of 1812 with Great Britain.

That the said Nancy Richardson was married to the said William Richardson deceased, at Franklin County in the State of Virginia on the 20th day of March A.D., 1806 by one John Sanders a Minister of the Gospel, that the name of the said Nancy Richardson before her marriage aforesaid was Nancy Wright, that her husband, the said William Richardson died at Roanoke County on the 5th day of July A.D., 1851 and that she is still a widow. That _____ _____.

And they swear that they are disinterested witnesses and saith that they did not know Col. James McDowell

Solomon Wright
her
Margaret X Bandy
mark

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27th day of January A.D., 1851. And I hereby certify that Solomon Wright and Margaret Bandy are credible witnesses.

Wm McDermed

Power Of Attorney
County of Roanoke
State of Virginia

Know all men by these presents, That I, Nancy Richardson of Roanoke County State of Virginia do hereby irrevocably make, constitute, and appoint Frederick Johnston of Roanoke County Virginia, my true and lawful attorney, for me and in my name, (and for my benefit,) to demand and receive from the proper Department of the United States, the certificate, warrant, or any other claim to which I may be entitled, for the military services of my husband, as set forth in

the accompanying declaration. Hereby revoking and countermanding any other power of attorney or authority that may have been heretofore given by me for the above specified purpose.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 27th day of January, 1851

Nancy her X mark Richardson

Acknowledged before me this 27 day of January 1851.

Wm McDermed J.P."

On September 11, 1852, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 22/302 Nancy Richardson and other heirs of 1849 Thomas Wright sold 62 acres of land to Joseph Ridgeway:

"This Deed made this 11" day of September in the year 1852 between Solomon Wright and Sarah his wife Richard Bandy and Margaret his wife, Nancy Richardson, The heirs of Joseph Wright by their agent Solomon Wright, Phoeba Wright, Mary Wright, Elizabeth Paine and Thomas Wright by his agent Solomon Wright all heirs and distributives of the late Thomas Wright Decd of the first part - and Joseph Ridgeway of the second part: Witnesseth that in consideration of the sum of two hundred & fourty dollars, the said Solomon Wright and Sarah his wife, Richard Bandy and Margarita his wife, Nancy Richardson The heirs of Joseph Wright by their agent Solomon Wright Phoeba Wright, Mary Wright, Elizabeth Paine, and Thomas Wright by his agent Solomon Wright all heirs and distributives of the late Thomas Wright decd with general warranty all of a certain price of land lying in the County of Franklin on the waters of Staunton River adjoining the lands of Robert P. Wright, Joseph Ridgeway and others and bounded as follows (to wit) Beginning at pointers thence N. 57° W 55 poles to a poplar on the bank of a branch thence S. 68° 30° W 47 poles to a Red Oak thence N 10° 45 W crossing a branch at 24 poles in all 60 poles to a Chesnut Oak thence N. 89° 15 E. crossing a branch at 36 poles in all 180 poles to a White Oak in Beard's line thence S 26° 15' W 61 poles to a Read Oak, thence S. 72° W 6 poles to a Spanish Oak, thence S. 49° W 58 poles to the beginning containing by Survey Sixty two acres more or less, and the said Solomon Wright & Sarah his wife, Richard Bandy and Margaret his wife, Nancy Richardson and Solomon Wright for the heirs of Joseph Wright, Phoeba Wright Mary Wright, Elizabeth Paine and Thomas Wright by his agent, Solomon Wright, hath hereby covenant with the said Joseph Ridgeway that they will forever warrant and

defend the right of the 62 acres of Land from themselves their heirs and from all persons whomsoever Witness of the following signatures and seals.

S. Wright
Sarah Wright
his
Richard X Bandy
mark
her
Margaret X Bandy
mark
her
Nancy X Richardson
mark
S. Wright agent for Joseph Wright
S. Wright agent for Thos Wright
Phebe X Wright
her
Nancy X Wright
mark
her
Elizabeth X Payne
mark

Roanoke County To Wit:

I William McDermed a Justice of the peace in the County of Roanoke and State of Virginia do certify that Solomon Wright, Richard Bandy, Nancy Richardson & Pheobe Wright whose names appears to the writing within dated the 11" day of September 1852 has acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid Given under my hand September 18" 1852.

Wm McDermed

Roanoke County To Wit:

We William McDermed and William B. Preston Justices of the peace in the County of Roanoke & State of Virginia do certify that Sarah Wright wife of Solomon Wright and Margaret Bandy wife of Richard Bandy parties to the writing within dated the 11" day of September 1852 personally appeared before us in our said County and being examined by us privily and apart from their husbands, and having the same fully explained to them they acknowledged the said writing to be their act and declared that they had willingly executed the same and

wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 18" day of September 1852.

Wm McDermed
Wm B. Preston

Roanoke County, To Wit:

I, William McDermed, a Justice of the Peace in the County of Roanoke & State of Virginia do certify that Mary Wright whose name appears to the writing within dated the 11" day of September 1852 has acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand & seal this 22nd day of Sept. 1852.

Wm McDermed J.P.

Franklin County To wit:

This day personally appeared before me Wm Hopkins a Justice of the Peace in the County aforesaid, Elizabeth Payne whose name appears to the writing within dated the 11" day of September 1852 and acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand the 27 day of November 1852.

William Hopkins J.P.

In the Clerk's Office of Franklin County Court the 20 day of December 185_

This Deed from Solomon Wright and Sarah his wife, Richard Bandy and Margaret his wife, Nancy Richardson, Solomon Wright agent for the heirs of Joseph Wright, Solomon Wright agent for Thomas Wright & Phebe Wright, Mary Wright and Elizabeth Payne to Joseph Ridgeway was exhibited unto the said Office and together with the certificate hereon endorsed admited to record.

Teste:
Ro. A. Scott C.F.C."

On April 28, 1855, Nancy (Wright) Richardson applied for a widow's pension in Pension File WC 3402 by reason of that same service of her husband in the War of 1812:

"State of Virginia)
County of Roanoke)

On this 28 day of Aprile in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and fifty five personally appeared before me William Mcdermed a Justice of the Peace within and for the County & State aforesaid Nancy Richardson aged sixty seven 67 years, a resident of Roanoke County in the State of Virginia, who being duly sworn according to Law, declares that she is the widow of William Richardson deceased, who was a private in the Company commanded by Captain Andrew Lewis in the 12th Regiment of Virginia Militia commanded by Col. James McDowell in the War with Great Britain declared June 18 1812, that her said husband volunteered at Botetourt County Virginia on or about the 10th day of July 1813 for the term of six months, and continued in actual service in said War for the term of three months and was honorably discharged at Camp Holly on or about the __ day of September 1813. She further states that she was married to the said William Richardson in Franklin County, Virginia, on the __ day of March 1806 by one John Sanders a Minister of the Gospel, and that her name before her marriage was Nancy Wright --- that her said husband died in the County of Roanoke Virginia on the 5 day of July 1850 and that she is a widow at the date of executing this her declaration: and having obtained a Bounty Land Warrant under act of Sept. 28 1850 for forty acres No. __ which she has legally transferred and disposed of, and not within her power to return, she refers to said declaration for evidence of her husbands service, and her marriage &c. She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the Bounty Land to which she may be entitled under the act approved March 3 1855. She also declares that she has never received nor applied for Bounty Land under this or any other act of Congress except as above stated, and she appoints Frederick Johnston of Salem Va. her attorney to prosecute said claim.

Nancy her X mark Richardson

We Isaac W. Vinyard and Thomas Bandy residents of Roanoke County in the State Virginia, upon our oaths declare that the foregoing declaration was signed and acknowledged by Nancy Richardson in our presence, and that we believe from the appearance and statements of the applicants that she is the identical person she represents herself to be.

I. W. Vinyard
Thomas Bandy

The foregoing declaration and affidavit were sworn to and subscribed before me, on the day and year above writte. And I certify that I Know the affiants to be credible persons, that the claimant is the person she represents herself to be, and that I have no interest in this claim.

Wm McDermed J.P.

State of Virginia)
County of Roanoke)

I, Frederick Johnston, clerk of the County Court of Roanoke in the State of Virginia certify that William McDermod Esq. whose genuine signature appears to the foregoing certificate is, and was at the time of signing the same an acting Justice of the Peace in and for the County and State aforesaid duly commissioned and qualified according to Law. Given under my hand and Seal of Office at Salem the 7th day of May 1855.

F. Johnston C.C."

On January 19, 1856, in File WC 3402 Nancy (Wright) Richardson's son Lewis W. Richardson and her cousin Patrick Henry Hurt also filed affidavits in support of the application:

"State of Virginia)
County of Roanoke)

On this 19th day of January in the year 1856 before me John P. Kizer a Justice of the peace in and for the County of Roanoke and state of Virginia, personally came Lewis W. Richardson, John W. Mays and Patrick H. Hurt, and made oath that they are each of them personally and well acquainted, (and have been for many years) with Mrs. Nancy Richardson, who they know to be the widow of William Richardson deceased, and that they know the fact that the said Nancy Richardson is then, and has been for many years unmarried - and was so unmarried at the time of making application under the act of March 3, 1855 for Bounty Land for the service of her said late husband William Richardson which application, as appears from the files of this Office of Commissioner of Pensions is numbered 134.329 - and the said affiants make oath that they have no interests in said claim.

Lewis W. Richardson
John W. Mays
P. H. Hurt

The foregoing affidavit was sworn to and subscribed before me on the day and year above written, and I certify that I Know the affiants to be credible persons, and that I have no interest in this claim.

Jno P. Kizer J.P.

State of Virginia)
County of Roanoke)

I, Frederick Johnston Clerk of the County Court of Roanoke, in the State of Virginia do certify that John P. Kizer Esq. whose genuine signature appears to the foregoing certificate, is, and was at the time of signing the same an acting Justice of the Peace in and for the County & state aforesaid duly commissioned and qualified according to Law, Given under my hand & seal of office the 19 Jan 1856.

F. Johnston C"

On October 5, 1871, in File WC 3402 Nancy (Wright) Richardson applied for a widow's pension in right of the service of William Richardson in the War of 1812, alleging substantially the same information as in her prior declarations:

"Declaration For Pension - War Of 1812
State of Virginia, County of Roanoke, ss:

On this 5th day of October, A.D. one thousand eight hundred and seventy one, personally appeared before me William McCauly, Clerk, of the County Court of Roanoke County, a court of record within and for the county and State aforesaid, Nancy Richardson, aged 83 years a resident of Big Lick Township, county of Roanoke, State of Virginia, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that she is the widow of William Richardson who served the full period of sixty days in the Military service of the United States in the war of 1812; and who was the identical William Richardson who volunteered in Captain Andrew Lewis' company, 121st regiment, Va. Militia commanded by Col: James McDowell, on or about the 10th day of July, 1813, and was honorably discharged at Camp Holley, below Richmond Va., on the __ day of September, 1813; that she was married under the name of Nancy Wright, to said William Richardson, on the __ day of March A.D. 1806 by Rev. John Saunders in Franklin County Va. there being no legal barrier to said marriage; that her said husband died in Roanoke County Va, on the 5th day of July A.D. 1850, and she has not married since his death. Revd. John Saunders made no return of said marriage, and the family record has been lost that at no time during the late rebellion against the authority of the United States, did she or her said husband adhere to the cause of the

enemies of the Government, giving them aid or comfort; or exercise the functions of any office whatever under any authority or pretended authority, in hostility to the United States: and that she will support the Constitution of the United States; that she is not in receipt of a pension under any previous act; that she makes this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the pension roll of the United States, under the provision of the act approved February 14, 1871, and she hereby constitutes and appoints, with full power of substitution and revocation, Frederick Johnston of Salem Va. her true and lawful attorney to prosecute her claim and obtain the pension certificate that may be issued; that her post office is at Big Lick, county of Roanoke, State of Virginia; that her domicile or place of abode is in Roanoke County.

Attest:
Peter Kef____
Charles Lunsford

Nancy her X mark Richardson

Also, personally appeared Peter Kefauver, residing at No. __, in Big Lick Township street, in Roanoke County Va, and Charles Lunsford, residing at No. __, in Big Lick Township street, in Roanoke County Va, persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who being by me duly sworn, say: They were present and saw Nancy Richardson, the claimant (make her mark) to the foregoing declaration; that they have every reason to believe, from the appearance of said claimant and their acquaintance with her, that she is the identical person she represents herself to be; that at no time during the late rebellion against the authority of the United States die she adhere to the cause of the enemies of the Government, giving them aid or comfort; and that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

Peter Kefauver
Charles Lunsford

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 5th day October, A.D. 1871, and I hereby certify that the contents of the above declaration, &c., were fully made known and explained to the applicant and witnesses before swearing, including the words "brigade", "division", "sign her name or", erased, and the words "or _____" added; and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

Witness my hand and the seal of the said county court of Roanoke the 5th day of October 1871.

Wm. McCauley Clerk"

On July 15, 1872, in File WC 3402 Nancy (Wright) Richardson's nephew Joseph W. Bandy executed his affidavit in support of her declaration:

"State of Virginia)
County of Roanoke)

On this 15th day of July AD 1872 came personally before me Wm McCauly Clerk of the County Cout of Roanoke County a Court of Record, Joseph W. Bandy and Charles Lunsford persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, who being by me duly sworn say that they were well acquainted with William Richardson the husband of Mrs Nancy Richardson, and Know the fact that the said William Richardson is dead, and that his Widow the said Nancy Richardson, who is now applying for pension (No. 721b) under the act of February 14, 1871 for services of her said husband and a survivor of the War of 1812, has not remarried since the death of said William Richardson but remains his Widow - Our Knowledge of the fact is derived from our being near neighbours of the said Nancy Richardson - and we have no interest in this claim

J. W. Bandy
Charles Lunsford

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15th day of July 1872, and I certify that I have no interest direct or indirect in this claim.

Witness my hand and the seal of the said County Court of Roanoke the 15th day of July 1872"

In his letter dated May 14, 1997, Andy Asberry enclosed family group sheets which stated that Nancy Wright was born in 1787 and married William Richardson, that William Richardson was born in about 1782, and that Nancy (Wright) Richardson and William Richardson had the following children:

1) Green Berry Richardson, born about 1810,
2) Lewis W. Richardson, born about 1819,
3) John H. Richardson, born about 1815 at Virginia,
4) Nancy Richardson, born about 1828, and
5) Sarah Richardson, born about 1835.

From the evidence set forth above the children of Nancy (Wright) Richardson and William Richardson were the following:

1) Greenberry Richardson, born about 1810 at Virginia,

2) Lewis W. Richardson, born about 1819 at Virginia,

3) Nancy Richardson, born about 1838 at Virginia, and

4) Sarah Richardson, born about 1845 at Virginia.

I. Greenberry Richardson

Greenberry Richardson was a son of Nancy (Wright) Richardson and William Richardson. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1849 Thomas[3], Nancy[4])

The 1850 Census for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed Greenberry Richardson in the William Richardson household and his age as 40 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1810.

ii. Lewis B. Richardson

Lewis B. Richardson was a son of Nancy (Wright) Richardson and William Richardson. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1849 Thomas[3], Nancy[4])

The 1850 Census for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed Lewis B. Richardson in the William Richardson household and his age as 31 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1819.

On January 19, 1856, Lewis B. Richardson filed an affidavit in support of his mother's application in File BLW 53079 for a bounty land warrant in right of her husband's service in the War of 1812:

"State of Virginia)
County of Roanoke)

On this 19th day of January in the year 1856 before me John P. Kizer a Justice of the peace in and for the County of Roanoke and state of Virginia, personally came Lewis W. Richardson, John W. Mays and Patrick H. Hurt, and made oath that they are each of them personally and well acquainted, (and have been for many years) with Mrs. Nancy Richardson, who they know to be the widow of William Richardson deceased, and that they know the fact that the said Nancy Richardson is then, and has been for many years unmarried - and was so unmarried at the time of making application under the act of March 3, 1855 for Bounty Land for the service of her said late husband William Richardson which

application, as appears from the files of this Office of Commissioner of Pensions is numbered 134.329 - and the said affiants make oath that they have no interests in said claim.

Lewis W. Richardson
John W. Mays
P. H. Hurt

The foregoing affidavit was sworn to and subscribed before me on the day and year above written, and I certify that I Know the affiants to be credible persons, and that I have no interest in this claim.

Jno P. Kizer J.P.

State of Virginia)
County of Roanoke)

I, Frederick Johnston Clerk of the County Court of Roanoke, in the State of Virginia do certify that John P. Kizer Esq. whose genuine signature appears to the foregoing certificate, is, and was at the time of signing the same an acting Justice of the Peace in and for the County & state aforesaid duly commissioned and qualified according to Law, Given under my hand & seal of office the 19 Jan 1856.

F. Johnston C"

iii. <u>John H. Richardson, His Wife Mary Frances (Greenwood) Richardson, And His Descendants</u>

John H. Richardson was a son of Nancy (Wright) Richardson and William Richardson. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1849 Thomas[3], Nancy[4])

In his letter dated May 14, 1997, Andy Asberry enclosed family group sheets which stated that John H. Richardson was a son of Nancy (Wright) Richardson and William Richardson, was born about 1815 at Virginia and married Mary Frances Greenwood at Virginia, that Mary Frances (Greenwood) Richardson was born about 1822 at Roanoke, Roanoke County, Virginia, and that John H. Richardson and Mary Frances (Greenwood) Richardson had the following children:

1) Joseph Richardson, born in 1847 At Roanoke, Roanoke County, Virginia,

2) Mary Scot (Richardson) Asberry, born about 1850 at Cave Spring, Virginia,

3) Lutie or Letitia Richardson,

4) Addie Richardson, and

5) Johnny Richardson.

iv. Nancy Richardson

Nancy Richardson was a daughter of Nancy (Wright) Richardson and William Richardson. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1849 Thomas[3], Nancy[4])

The 1850 Census for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed Nancy Richardson in the William Richardson household and her age as 12 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1838.

v. Sarah Richardson

Sarah Richardson was a daughter of Nancy (Wright) Richardson and William Richardson. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1849 Thomas[3], Nancy[4])

The 1850 Census for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed Sarah Richardson in the William Richardson household and her age as 5 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1845.

e. Margaret "Peggy" (Wright) Bandy, Her Husband Richard Bandy, And Her Descendants

Margaret "Peggy" (Wright) Bandy was a daughter of 1849 Thomas Wright of Franklin County and Phebe (____) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1849 Thomas[3])

The marriage bond of Richard Bandy and Peggy Wright was dated on January 13, 1823, at Franklin County, Virginia, with Solomon Wright as surety:

> "Know all men by these presents that We Richard Bandy and Solomon Wright are held and firmly bount unto James Pleasants Jr esquire Governor of the CommonWealth of Virginia in the sum of one hundred and fifty Dollars current money of the United States to the payment whereof well and truly to be made to

the said Governor or his Successors for the use of the CommonWealth aforesaid We bind ourselves and each of us our and each of our heirs executors and administrators jointly and severally firmly by these Presents Sealed with our Seals and dated the 13 day of January 1823

The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas the above bound Richard Bandy hath this day obtained from the Clerk of the County Court of Franklin a Licence for his intermarriage with Peggy Wright of the said County Now if there shall be no lawful cause to obstruct the said Marriage then this obligation to be void else to remain in full force and Virtue

Witness
Robert N Dickerson

Richard his X mark Bandy
Solomon Wright

A List of Marriages
. . . .

Richard Bandy and Peggy Wright

List of marriages by the Revd. Wilson Turner Recd. 1st march 1824"

The will of 1849 Thomas Wright dated October 20, 1843 and probated on August 6, 1849, at Franklin County, Virginia, W.B. 7/79 listed Richard Bandy as his son-in-law:

". . . . Item 7" I have heretofore paid my son in law Richard Bandy & wife hundred dollars in a negroe woman which was intended as their portion of my estate . . . ."

The 1850 Census for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed Richard Bandy with the following household:

Name	Age	Occupation	Born
Richard Bandy	69	Farmer	Virginia
Margaret Bandy	59		Virginia
Joseph R. Bandy	25	Farmer	Virginia
John C. Bandy	24	Farmer	Virginia
Sarah F. Bandy	24		Virginia
Joseph C. Bandy	4		Virginia

This record indicates a date of birth for Margaret (Wright) Bandy in approximately 1791 and for Richard Bandy in approximately 1781. Since 1849 Thomas Wright was residing in Franklin County, the place of birth of Margaret was probably at Franklin County, Virginia.

John C. Bandy in the census record was probably a son of Richard and Nancy and Sarah F. was probably his wife and Joseph C. was probably their son, but further research will be required to confirm this identification.

On September 11, 1852, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 22/302 Richard Bandy and his wife Margaret and other heirs of 1849 Thomas Wright sold 62 acres of land to Joseph Ridgeway:

> "This Deed made this 11" day of September in the year 1852 between Solomon Wright and Sarah his wife Richard Bandy and Margaret his wife, Nancy Richardson, The heirs of Joseph Wright by their agent Solomon Wright, Phoeba Wright, Mary Wright, Elizabeth Paine and Thomas Wright by his agent Solomon Wright all heirs and distributives of the late Thomas Wright Decd of the first part - and Joseph Ridgeway of the second part: Witnesseth that in consideration of the sum of two hundred & fourty dollars, the said Solomon Wright and Sarah his wife, Richard Bandy and Margarita his wife, Nancy Richardson The heirs of Joseph Wright by their agent Solomon Wright Phoeba Wright, Mary Wright, Elizabeth Paine, and Thomas Wright by his agent Solomon Wright all heirs and distributives of the late Thomas Wright decd with general warranty all of a certain price of land lying in the County of Franklin on the waters of Staunton River adjoining the lands of Robert P. Wright, Joseph Ridgeway and others and bounded as follows (to wit) Beginning at pointers thence N. 57° W 55 poles to a poplar on the bank of a branch thence S. 68° 30° W 47 poles to a Red Oak thence N 10° 45 W crossing a branch at 24 poles in all 60 poles to a Chesnut Oak thence N. 89° 15 E. crossing a branch at 36 poles in all 180 poles to a White Oak in Beard's line thence S 26° 15' W 61 poles to a Read Oak, thence S. 72° W 6 poles to a Spanish Oak, thence S. 49° W 58 poles to the beginning containing by Survey Sixty two acres more or less, and the said Solomon Wright & Sarah his wife, Richard Bandy and Margaret his wife, Nancy Richardson and Solomon Wright for the heirs of Joseph Wright, Phoeba Wright Mary Wright, Elizabeth Paine and Thomas Wright by his agent, Solomon Wright, hath hereby covenant with the said Joseph Ridgeway that they will forever warrant and

defend the right of the 62 acres of Land from themselves their heirs and from all persons whomsoever Witness of the following signatures and seals.

S. Wright
Sarah Wright
his
Richard X Bandy
mark
her
Margaret X Bandy
mark
her
Nancy X Richardson
mark
S. Wright agent for Joseph Wright
S. Wright agent for Thos Wright
Phebe X Wright
her
Nancy X Wright
mark
her
Elizabeth X Payne
mark

Roanoke County To Wit:

I William McDermed a Justice of the peace in the County of Roanoke and State of Virginia do certify that Solomon Wright, Richard Bandy, Nancy Richardson & Pheobe Wright whose names appears to the writing within dated the 11" day of September 1852 has acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid Given under my hand September 18" 1852.

Wm McDermed

Roanoke County To Wit:

We William McDermed and William B. Preston Justices of the peace in the County of Roanoke & State of Virginia do certify that Sarah Wright wife of Solomon Wright and Margaret Bandy wife of Richard Bandy parties to the writing within dated the 11" day of September 1852 personally appeared before us in our said County and being examined by us privily and apart from their husbands, and having the same fully explained to them they acknowledged the said writing to be their act and declared that they had willingly executed the same and

wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 18" day of September 1852.

Wm McDermed
Wm B. Preston

Roanoke County, To Wit:

I, William McDermed, a Justice of the Peace in the County of Roanoke & State of Virginia do certify that Mary Wright whose name appears to the writing within dated the 11" day of September 1852 has acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand & seal this 22nd day of Sept. 1852.

Wm McDermed J.P.

Franklin County To wit:

This day personally appeared before me Wm Hopkins a Justice of the Peace in the County aforesaid, Elizabeth Payne whose name appears to the writing within dated the 11" day of September 1852 and acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand the 27 day of November 1852.

William Hopkins J.P.

In the Clerk's Office of Franklin County Court the 20 day of December 185_

This Deed from Solomon Wright and Sarah his wife, Richard Bandy and Margaret his wife, Nancy Richardson, Solomon Wright agent for the heirs of Joseph Wright, Solomon Wright agent for Thomas Wright & Phebe Wright, Mary Wright and Elizabeth Payne to Joseph Ridgeway was exhibited unto the said Office and together with the certificate hereon endorsed admited to record.

Teste:
Ro. A. Scott C.F.C."

In her letter dated January 7, 1988, Mrs. L. St. Clair Blackford stated that the death certificate for Margaret Bandy listed her date of death on July 25, 1866, at Roanoke County, Virginia, her parents as Thomas and Phoebe Wright, her age as 75, and her birth place as Franklin County, Virginia.

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below the children of Margaret "Peggy" (Wright) Bandy and Richard Bandy were the following:

1) Joseph R. or W. Bandy, born about 1825 at Virginia, and

2) John C. Bandy, born about 1826 at Virginia.

i. Joseph R. Or W. Bandy

Joseph R. or W. Bandy was a son of Margaret "Peggy" (Wright) Bandy and Richard Bandy. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1849 Thomas[3], Margaret[4])

The 1850 Census for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed Joseph R. Bandy in the Richard Bandy household and his age as 25 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1825.

On July 15, 1872, in Pension File WC 3402 for Nancy (Wright) Richardson, Joseph W. Bandy filed an affidavit in support of her pension claim:

"State of Virginia)
County of Roanoke)

On this 15th day of July AD 1872 came personally before me Wm McCauly Clerk of the County Cout of Roanoke County a Court of Record, Joseph W. Bandy and Charles Lunsford persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, who being by me duly sworn say that they were well acquainted with William Richardson the husband of Mrs Nancy Richardson, and Know the fact that the said William Richardson is dead, and that his Widow the said Nancy Richardson, who is now applying for pension (No. 721b) under the act of February 14, 1871 for services of her said husband and a survivor of the War of 1812, has not remarried since the death of said William Richardson but remains his Widow - Our Knowledge of the fact is derived from our being near neighbours of the said Nancy Richardson - and we have no interest in this claim

J. W. Bandy
Charles Lunsford

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15th day of July 1872, and I certify that I have no interest direct or indirect in this claim.

Witness my hand and the seal of the said County Court of Roanoke the 15th day of July 1872"

ii. John C. Bandy, His Probable Wife Sarah F. (____) Bandy, And His Descendants

John C. Bandy was a son of Margaret "Peggy" (Wright) Bandy and Richard Bandy. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1849 Thomas[3], Margaret[4])

The 1850 Census for Roanoke County, Virginia, listed John C. Bandy in the Richard Bandy household and his age as 24 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1826. That Census also listed a Sarah F. Bandy, age 24, and Joseph C. Bandy, age 4, in the same household after John C. Bandy's name. These last two were probably the wife and child of John C. Bandy, but further research will be required to confirm this.

f. Thomas Anthony Wright Of Arkansas, His Wife Celia (Wright) Wright, And His Descendants

Thomas Anthony Wright of Arkansas was a son of 1849 Thomas Wright of Franklin County and Phebe (____) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1849 Thomas[3])

Thomas Anthony Wright and his wife Celia (Wright) Wright have been discussed above in connection with the family of 1850 Anthony Wright of Bedford County and his daughter Celia (Wright) Wright and the reader is referred to that section for the information on this family.

g. Elizabeth (Wright) Payne, Her Husband Robert Payne, And Her Descendants

Elizabeth (Wright) Payne was a daughter of 1849 Thomas Wright of Franklin County and Phebe (____) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1849 Thomas[3])

The marriage bond of Robert Payne and Elizabeth Wright on October 4, 1813, at Franklin County, Virginia:

> "Know all men by these Presents that we Robert Payne and Joseph Wright are held and firmly bound unto James Barbour esquire Governor of the CommonWealth of Virginia in the Sum of one hundred and fifty Dollars to the

payment whereof well & truly to be made to the said Governor and his successors for the use of the CommonWealth We bind ourselves and each of us, our and each of our heirs, executors, and administrators, jointly and Severally, firmly by these Presents Sealed with our Seals and dated the fourth day of October 1813

The Condition of the above obligation is such that whereas there is a marriage shortly intended to be had and Solemnized between the above bound Robert Payne and Elizabeth Wright Now if there shall be no lawful cause to obstruct the said Marriage then the above obligation to be void else to remain in full force

Witness — Robert Payne
C Tate CFC — Joseph wright"

The will of 1849 Thomas Wright dated October 20, 1843, and probated on August 6, 1849, at Franklin County, Virginia, W.B. 7/79 listed Elizabeth Payne as one of his children:

". . . . Item 9" I have heretofore paid my daughter Elizabeth Payne five hundred dollars for which I have her receipt and which is intended as her portion of my Estate . . . ."

The 1850 Census for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Elizabeth Paine with the following household:

Name	Age	Sex	Occupation	Real Estate	Born
Elizabeth Paine	50	F	Farmer	$156	
Julia Paine	30	F			
Green H. Paine	19	M			
Mary Paine	16	F			
Garland E. S. Paine	7	M			

This record indicates that Elizabeth (Wright) Payne was born in about 1800 and that Robert Payne had probably died before 1850.

On September 11, 1852, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 22/302 Elizabeth Paine in the text of the deed, but Elizabeth Payne in the signature section, and other heirs of Thomas Wright sold 62 acres of land to Joseph Ridgeway:

"This Deed made this 11" day of September in the year 1852 between Solomon Wright and Sarah his wife Richard Bandy and Margaret his wife, Nancy Richardson, The heirs of Joseph Wright by their agent Solomon Wright, Phoeba Wright, Mary Wright, Elizabeth Paine and Thomas Wright by his agent Solomon Wright all heirs and distributives of the late Thomas Wright Decd of the first part - and Joseph Ridgeway of the second part: Witnesseth that in consideration of the sum of two hundred & fourty dollars, the said Solomon Wright and Sarah his wife, Richard Bandy and Margarita his wife, Nancy Richardson The heirs of Joseph Wright by their agent Solomon Wright Phoeba Wright, Mary Wright, Elizabeth Paine, and Thomas Wright by his agent Solomon Wright all heirs and distributives of the late Thomas Wright decd with general warranty all of a certain price of land lying in the County of Franklin on the waters of Staunton River adjoining the lands of Robert P. Wright, Joseph Ridgeway and others and bounded as follows (to wit) Beginning at pointers thence N. 57° W 55 poles to a poplar on the bank of a branch thence S. 68° 30° W 47 poles to a Red Oak thence N 10° 45 W crossing a branch at 24 poles in all 60 poles to a Chesnut Oak thence N. 89° 15 E. crossing a branch at 36 poles in all 180 poles to a White Oak in Beard's line thence S 26° 15' W 61 poles to a Read Oak, thence S. 72° W 6 poles to a Spanish Oak, thence S. 49° W 58 poles to the beginning containing by Survey Sixty two acres more or less, and the said Solomon Wright & Sarah his wife, Richard Bandy and Margaret his wife, Nancy Richardson and Solomon Wright for the heirs of Joseph Wright, Phoeba Wright Mary Wright, Elizabeth Paine and Thomas Wright by his agent, Solomon Wright, hath hereby covenant with the said Joseph Ridgeway that they will forever warrant and defend the right of the 62 acres of Land from themselves their heirs and from all persons whomsoever Witness of the following signatures and seals.

S. Wright
Sarah Wright
his
Richard X Bandy
mark
her
Margaret X Bandy
mark
her
Nancy X Richardson
mark
S. Wright agent for Joseph Wright
S. Wright agent for Thos Wright
Phebe X Wright

Nancy	her X mark	Wright
Elizabeth	her X mark	Payne

Roanoke County To Wit:

I William McDermed a Justice of the peace in the County of Roanoke and State of Virginia do certify that Solomon Wright, Richard Bandy, Nancy Richardson & Pheobe Wright whose names appears to the writing within dated the 11" day of September 1852 has acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid Given under my hand September 18" 1852.

Wm McDermed

Roanoke County To Wit:

We William McDermed and William B. Preston Justices of the peace in the County of Roanoke & State of Virginia do certify that Sarah Wright wife of Solomon Wright and Margaret Bandy wife of Richard Bandy parties to the writing within dated the 11" day of September 1852 personally appeared before us in our said County and being examined by us privily and apart from their husbands, and having the same fully explained to them they acknowledged the said writing to be their act and declared that they had willingly executed the same and wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 18" day of September 1852.

Wm McDermed
Wm B. Preston

Roanoke County, To Wit:

I, William McDermed, a Justice of the Peace in the County of Roanoke & State of Virginia do certify that Mary Wright whose name appears to the writing within dated the 11" day of September 1852 has acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand & seal this 22nd day of Sept. 1852.

Wm McDermed J.P.

Franklin County To wit:

This day personally appeared before me Wm Hopkins a Justice of the Peace in the County aforesaid, Elizabeth Payne whose name appears to the writing within dated the 11" day of September 1852 and acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand the 27 day of November 1852.

William Hopkins J.P.

In the Clerk's Office of Franklin County Court the 20 day of December 185

This Deed from Solomon Wright and Sarah his wife, Richard Bandy and Margaret his wife, Nancy Richardson, Solomon Wright agent for the heirs of Joseph Wright, Solomon Wright agent for Thomas Wright & Phebe Wright, Mary Wright and Elizabeth Payne to Joseph Ridgeway was exhibited unto the said Office and together with the certificate hereon endorsed admited to record.

Teste:
Ro. A. Scott C.F.C."

The 1860 Census for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Elizabeth Payne with the following household:

Name	Age	Sex	Occupation	Real Estate	Personal Property
Elizabeth Payne	67	F		$500	$90
Julia A. Payne	40	F			
Green H. Payne	29	M	Carpenter		
Mary C. Payne	26	F			

This record indicates that Elizabeth (Wright) Payne was born about 1793.

From the evidence set forth above the children of Elizabeth (Wright) Payne and Robert Payne were the following:

1) Julia A. Payne, born about 1820,

2) Green H. Payne, born about 1831,

3) Mary C. Payne, born about 1834, and

4) Garland E. S. Payne, born about 1843.

i. Julia A. Payne

Julia A. Payne was a daughter of Elizabeth (Wright) Payne and Robert Payne. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1849 Thomas[3], Elizabeth[4])

The 1850 Census for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Julia Paine in the Elizabeth Paine household and her age as 30, indicating a date of birth in about 1820.

The 1860 Census for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Julia A. Payne in the Elizabeth Payne household and her age as 40, indicating a date of birth in about 1820.

ii. Green H. Payne

Green H. Payne was a son of Elizabeth (Wright) Payne and Robert Payne. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1849 Thomas[3], Elizabeth[4])

The 1850 Census for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Green H. Paine in the Elizabeth Paine household and his age as 19, indicating a date of birth in about 1831.

The 1860 Census for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Green H. Payne in the Elizabeth Payne household and his age as 29, indicating a date of birth in about 1831.

iii. Mary C. Payne

Mary C. Payne was a daughter of Elizabeth (Wright) Payne and Robert Payne. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1849 Thomas[3], Elizabeth[4])

The 1850 Census for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Mary Paine in the Elizabeth Paine household and her age as 16, indicating a date of birth in about 1834.

The 1860 Census for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Mary C. Payne in the Elizabeth Payne household and his age as 26, indicating a date of birth in about 1834.

iv. Garland E. S. Payne

Garland E. S. Payne was a son of Elizabeth (Wright) Payne and Robert Payne. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1849 Thomas[3], Elizabeth[4])

The 1850 Census for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Garland E. S. Payne in the Elizabeth Paine household and his age as 7, indicating a date of birth in about 1843.

h. Phebe (Wright) Wright, Her Husband 1831 Solomon Wright Of Bedford County, And Her Descendants

Phebe (Wright) Wright was a daughter of 1849 Thomas Wright of Franklin County and Phebe (____) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1849 Thomas[3])

Phebe (Wright) Wright has been discussed above as the wife of 1831 Solomon Wright of Bedford County, a son of 1850 Anthony Wright of Bedford County, and the reader is referred to that section for information on this family.

i. 1890 Robert Penn Wright Of Franklin County, His Wife Rhoda (McGeorge) Wright, And His Descendants

1890 Robert Penn Wright of Franklin County was a son of 1849 Thomas Wright of Franklin County and the only child by his marriage to Susannah (Pasley) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1849 Thomas[3])

1890 Robert Penn Wright of Franklin County and his wife Rhoda (McGeorge) Wright have been discussed above in connection with Ruth (Wright) McGeorge, a daughter of 1803 John Wright of Bedford County, and the reader is referred to that section for information on this family.

2. Mary (Wright) Greer, Her Husband Martin Greer, And Her Descendants

Mary (Wright) Greer was a daughter of 1815 Joseph Wright of Bedford County and Elizabeth (Kemp) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2])

The marriage bond of Mary Wright and Martin Greer was dated on February 25, 1788, at Bedford County, Virginia, with Joseph Wright as surety:

> "Know all Men by these presents that We Martin Greer & Joseph Wright of Bedford County are held & firmly bound unto Edmund Randolph Esquire Governor or Chief Magistrate of the State of Virginia in the Sum of Fifty pounds Current Money to which payment well & truly to be made to the said Edmd Randolph or to his Successors We bind ourselves & each of us our each of our joint & Several Heirs Exors & admors firmly by these presents sealed with our Seals & dated this 25 day of Feby. 1788 The Condition of this Obligation is such that whereas there is a Marriage Shortly intended to be had & Solemnized between the above bound Martin Greer and Mary Wright now if there shall be no

lawful Cause to obstruct the said Marriage then the above Obligation to be Void or else to remain in full force & Virtue

Signed Sealed & ackd in presence of us — Martin Greer
Joseph Wright"

In her letter dated March 27, 1997, Mrs. Dolores J. Davis enclosed a copy of the will of Benjamin Greer dated December 28, 1787, and probated on June 2, 1788, at Franklin County, Virginia, which listed Martin Greer as one of his children:

"In the name of God, Amen - I, Benjamin Greer, Senior of Frankln County, Virginia, being in perfect health and sound memory do make and ordain this to be my last will and Testament in manner the Following Viz:
. . . .

I give and bequeath to my son Martin Greer, the first living child of negro wench called by name Jude and no more.
. . . .

Lastly I constitute and appoint my well beloved wife Mary, Executrix, and my son Martin Greer, Executor of this my last will and testament, revoking and disannulling all other wills or wills here-to-fore made by me. In witness whereto I have set my hand and seal this 28th day of December, Anno Domini, 1787.

Benjamin his X mark Greer

Signed Sealed in the presence of
John Ellison, Alex R. Ferguson
and Amos Ellison.

At a Court held for Franklin County on Monday, the 2nd day of June, 1788.

The within last will and Testament of Benjamin Greer, deceased was exhibited in court by Mary Greer, Executrix and Martin Greer, Executor, within mentioned, was proved by two witnesses thereunto and with Skelton Taylor, Moses Greer, and Amos Ellison, their Security entered into bond and they having obtained a probate thereof in due form acknowledged the same, whereupon it is ordered to be recorded by the Court.

Teste,
Ste. Smith CFC"

Pioneers Of Davidson County, Tennessee stated that the Davidson County, Tennessee, Minute Book 1809-1812, page 826, Records of Davidson County Court of July Session 1812, listed an enumeration of the free male inhabitants of Davidson County in 1812 and listed Martin Greer in Captain Mullon's Militia Company.

History Of Davidson County, Tennessee by W. W. Clayton stated that Martin Greer was assessed for taxes in 1816 in District Number Twelve.

The will of 1815 Joseph Wright dated February 21, 1815, and probated on September 11, 1815, at Bedford County, Virginia, Superior Court Book A/15 listed Mary Greer as one of his children:

> ". . . . 6thly, All the balance of my Estate both real and personal of every description after the payment of my just debts and funeral expenses I give and bequeath to my five sons, Thomas, John, Joseph, Matthew, & Rite Wright, & to my five daughters, Mary Greer, Agness Mayse, Judith McCormack, Patsy Mayse, & Barsheba Simmons, & to the Heirs of my Daughter Nancy Meador, decd. to be equally divided between them respectively . . . ."

Mary Greer was alloted Lot number 1 in the Division and Allotment of the estate of 1815 Joseph Wright at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 4/255 dated June 22 1816, consisting of 50 acres in Bedford County, the legal description of which is as follows:

> "Lot No. 1. Containing 50 acres in Bedford County Begining at an ash on Stanton River off north 15 East 162 poles to a white oak North 83 East 56 poles to a pine South 15 West 70 poles to a Branch thence Down the Same as it Meanders to the river thence up the Same as it meanders to the Begining . . . ."

The 1820 Census for Davidson County, Tennessee, listed Martin Greer with the following household:

Males	Age	Females	Age
1	45+	2	45+
1	16-26	1	16-26
2	10-16		

This record indicates that Martin Greer and Mary (Wright) Greer were born before 1775.

The will of Martin Greer was dated on March 11, 1822, probated in July 1822, at Davidson County, Tennessee, W.B. 8/123, and provided as follows:

"Martin Greer Decd. Will Recorded Sept. 3d 1822 State of Tennessee Davidson Conty - Be it remembered that I Martin Greer being in the fear of God and of sound mind and memory do make this my last will and testment in the following manner, To wit, Item 1st I give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Nancy May one horse and saddle feather bed and furniture one cow and calf two ewes and lamb being the property already delivered her after marriage - Item 2d I give and bequeath unto my beloved son Joseph Greer one horse and saddle, feather bed and furniture, one cow and calf two ewes and lambs being the property already delivered him after marriage Item 3 I give and bequeath unto my beloved son Benjamin Greer one horse and saddle feather bed and furniture, one cow and calf, two ewes and lambs being the property already delivered him after marriage - Item 4th. I give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Polly Vaughn one horse and saddle, feather bed and furniture, one cow and calf, two ewes and lambs being the property already delivered her after marriage & no more. Until after mine and her mothers death then she the said Polly Vaughn is to have ten pounds and no more forever - Item 5th I give and bequeath unto my beloved son Green B. Greer one horse and saddle which he has received, also one feather bed and furniture, one cow and calf and two ewes and lambs - Item 6th I give & bequeath unto my beloved daughter Elizabeth Greer one horse which she has received and also one feather bed and furniture, one cow and calf and two ewes and lambs Item 7 I give and bequeath unto my beloved son James W. Greer one horse and saddle one feather bed and furniture, one cow and calf, two ewes and lambs - Item 8 I give and bequeath unto my beloved son William H. Greer one horse and saddle, one feather bed and furniture, one cow and calf, two ewes and lambs - and lastly It is my will and desire that all the residue of my property both real and chattel remain in the hands and possession of my beloved wife mary during the term of her natural life or widowhood to support her & my children and school them and at the death or marriage of my beloved wife all the property both real and personal that is left in the hands and possession of my beloved wife, with its increase belonging to my estate be sold at public sale and the monies when collected from said sales, also all debts due me by bond, note or otherwise to be equally divided amongst all my children both male and female except Polly Vaughn to them and their heirs forever, and I do ordain, nominate and appoint my two beloved sons Joseph and Benjamin Greer with my beloved wife Mary Executors to this my last will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this 11th day of March 1822

Martin Greer

In presence of Robert Thomas. Alex Waites

It is to be understood that all the Items bequeathed unto my beloved children in the within will be delivered to them when at lawful age or marriage but in case my beloved wife die or marry before they all arrive at Lawful age, then in that case each one to receive their divided at her death or marriage

Teste: Martin Greer
Robert Thomas
Alex Waite

State of Tennessee Davidson County Court July Session ____ A paper writing purporting to be the Last will and Testament of Martin Greer, deceased, was produced in court for probate and proven thus Robert Thomas and Alexander Waite, the subscribing witnesses thereto being duly sworn say they became such in the presence of the Testator and at his request and that they believe he was in his right mind at the time he executed the same. Ordered that said paper writing be admitted to record as such will of said Martin decd - Whereupon Mary Greer, Joseph Greer, and Benjamin Greer the executrix and executors named in said will came into open court and gave bond of ten thousand dollars with John Demoss, Wilkins Whitfield, Daniel A. Dunham and Abraham Demoss their securities for the faithful discharge of the trusts reposed in them and Qualified according to Law. Ordered that they have letters testamentary granted to them."

From the will the children of Martin Greer and Mary (Wright) Greer can be identified as follows:

1) Nancy May Greer,
2) Joseph Greer,
3) Benjamin Greer,
4) Polly (Greer) Vaughn,
5) Green Berry Greer,
6) Elizabeth Greer,
7) James W. Greer, and
8) William H. Greer.

Davidson County, Tennessee, Wills & Inventories, Volume Two, 1816-1830 stated that the inventory and appraisement of the estate of Martin Greer was filed on December 18, 1822, at page 151 and listed the following:

"Inventory which has come into the hands of the admrx and admr of the Last Will and testament. Negroes, cattle and several other items listed including a note on John Erwin, one on John Demoss, one due bill on R. W. Hart, account against Joseph Greer, one against John Jobe, one against James Fudge, one order from Jacob Fudge, a claim on the United States for property lost and service of horse in the Seminole Campaign amounting in the gross to $110,000 subject to a deduction of 40 cents per day for services for three months, and one Bible and testament. Signed by Benjamin Greer and Joseph Greer. Oct Term 1822."

On December 29, 1823, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Peter Dent filed an affidavit that Martin Greer and his wife Mary were not then residents of Virginia:

"Bedford county Sct

Peter Dent of Lawful age this day appeared personally before me A Otey a justice of the peace for said County and made oath that he is informed & verily believes that Jane Meador, Jubal Meador, Joseph Meador & Judith Meador: Samuel Mays and Agnes his wife, Martin Greer & Mary his Wife and Joel Simmonds and Barsheba his wife are not inhabitants of the commonwealth of Virginia Given from under my hand at Liberty in sd county the 29th Day of Decr 1823

A. Otey JP"

On about February 7, 1824, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Green B. Greer filed an answer on behalf of Mary Greer to the complaint of Peter Dent for title to land from the estate of Joseph Wright:

"The joint answers of Joseph Wright Wright Wright Thomas Wright William McCormick & Judy his wife & Mary Greer by her agent and attorney in fact Green B. Greer as appears by the records of Franklin County to wit: to a Bill Exhibited against them and others in Bedford County court by Peter Dent these respondents, saving to themselves the benefit of exceptions to the sd Bill for answer say

That Peter Dent is entitled to the Land in the Bill mentioned and ought to have a title for the same that the Respondents Joseph Wright, Thomas Wright & William McCormack & his wife Judy have conveyed their interest in the same to the sd Dent before the suit by sd Dent was instituted and ought therefor to have their costs that the Respondent Mary Greer was willing to have conveyed the same but was out of the country that her husband is dead and she is willing to such

decree as will vest her right & Interest in the same in the sd Peter Dent and having fully answered pray to be dismissed with their costs &c

Thomas Wright Sr
William Mcomak
Joseph Wright
Greer B Greer
Agent as Attey in fact
for Mary Greer
Rite Wright

Franklin County Sct.

Thomas Wright in the annexed answer named appeared personally before me Sparrel Hale justice of the peace for sd County & made oath that the matters therein contained are true as far as they depend upon his own knowledge and that so far as they depend upon knowledge derived from others he believes them to be true

Given under my hand this 7th day day of Feby 1824

Spl Hale"

On February 7, 1825, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 19/142 "Greenberry Greer, attorney in fact for Mary Greer, Joseph Greer and Benjamin Greer Executors and executrix of Martin Greer Deceased of Davison County and state of Tennessee" sold to Joseph Wright of Franklin County, Virginia:

"This Indenture made this 7th day of Febuary 1825, between Greenbury Greer attorney in fact for Mary Greer Joseph Greer and Benjamin Greer Executors and executrix of Martin Greer Deceased of Davison County and state of Tennessee of the one part, of Joseph Wright of Franklin County and state of Virginia of the other part Witness, that the said Greenbury Greer attorney in fact for and in consideration of the sum of two hundred dollars to him in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath granted bargained, and sold, and by these presents doth grant, bargain and sell unto him the said Joseph Greer one certain tract or parcel of land in Bedford County on Stanton river containing fifty acres it being the land allotted to Mary Greer the wife of Martin Greer Deceased out of the estate of Joseph Wright Dec. by commissioners appointed by the County Court of Bedford and returned by them to the said Court the courses of the said land may be had by reference thereto. Together with all and singular the appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining. To have

and to hold the said bargained land and premises unto him the said Joseph Wright his heirs and assigns forever, and he the said Greenbury Greer attorney &c doth warrant and forever defend a good and lawful right and title in fee simple the said land unto him the said Joseph Wright and his heirs and &c

In Witness whereof the said Greenbury Greer attorney for Mary Greer Joseph Greer & Benjamin Greer Executors of Martin Greer Decd. hath hereunto set his hand and seal the date above written.

Green B. Greer

Franklin County Sct, We Robert Woods and Moses Greer Jr. Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Green B. Greer a party to a certain deed bearing date on the 7th day of Febuary 1825 & hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid & acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and desired us to certify the said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Bedford in order that the said deed may be recorded. Given under our hands and seals this 7th day of Febuary 1825

Robert Woods
Moses Greer Jr.

At a Court held for Bedford County at the Courthouse the 28th day of March 1825. This Indenture of bargain and sale was Certified by two Justices of the peace for Franklin County and ordered to be recorded.

Teste
Jas Steptoe C.B.C"

An identical deed was filed in Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 11/112:

"This Indenture made this seventh day of February one thousand eight hundred & twenty five between Greenberry Greer attorney in fact for Marey Greer, Joseph Greer & Benjamin Greer Executors of Martin Greer Deceasd of the County of Davidson & State of Tennessee of the one part & John Wright Senr of the County of Franklin & state of Verginia of the other part Witnesseth that the said Greenbury Greer for and in Consideration of the Sum of Sixty Dollars to him in hand paid the receipt whereof he doth hereby acknowledge have granted bargained and sold and by these presents do grant bargain & sell & confirm unto the said Joseph Wright his heirs and assigns forever one Certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in the County of Franklin containing fifteen acres be the same more or less it being the land allotted to Mary Greer the wife of Martin Greer Decd by Commissioners appointed by the County Court of Bedford to divid

the lands of Joseph Wright decd between the heirs of the Said Wright and returned to the said Court by the Commissioners aforesaid the Corses of the said land may be had by Reference thereto together with all and Singular the right title & interest thereunto aperataining or in any wise belonging or apertaining to have and to hold the said land and bargained premises unto him the Said Joseph Wright forever & he the said Greenberry Greer attorney &c doth warrant and forever defend good and lawful right and title in fee simple to the said land unto him the said Joseph Wright and his heirs &c In testimony whereof the said Greenberry Greer attorney for Mary Greer, Joseph Greer, & Benjamin Greer Executors of Martin Greer deceased hath set his hand & seal the day above Written

Green B Greer

At a Court held for Fraklin County at the Courthouse on the 7" day of February 1825

This Indenture of bargain and Sale between Green B Greer attorney on fact for Mary Greer, Joseph Greer and Benjamin Greer executor of Martin Greer decd of the one part and Joseph Wright of the other part was acknowledged by the said Green B Greer and Ordered to be Recorded

Teste
Caleb Tate, c.f.c."

DAR Application #457446 listed the birth of Mary (Wright) Greer as after 1770 at Bedford County, Virginia, and her death as after 1825 at Davidson County, Tennessee. The same application also listed the birth of Martin Greer as circa 1760 at Bedford County, Virginia, and his death in circa 1822 at Davidson County, Tennessee. The source for this information was given as the 1820 Census for Davidson County, Tennessee, and the will of Martin Greer at Davidson County, Tennessee.

In her letter dated January 17, 1989, Ms. Iris N. Garner enclosed family group sheets which listed Martin Greer's date of death on July 4, 1822, Mary (Wright) Greer's date of death in 1824 at Davidson County, Tennessee, and their children as follows:

1) Nancy Greer, born on January 2, 1789,
2) Joseph Greer, born 1792,
3) Benjamin Greer, born 1790,

4) Mary "Polly" (Greer) Vaughan,

5) Greenberry Greer, born August 16, 1808,

6) Elizabeth P. (Greer) Burton, born between 1794 and 1804,

7) James W. Greer, born 1802, and

8) William A. Greer, born 1805.

In her letter dated February 11, 1989, Mrs. Iris Garner enclosed an extract from a letter dated March 13, 1978, from Thomas E. Greer, 4323 Prescott Road, Nashville, Tennessee 37204, which stated:

> "Listed below are inscriptions from stones in Greer Cemetery, one half mile of Highway 70 at the intersection of Vaughan's Gap Road. (on wooded hillside). Enclosed is a copy of an 1880 Davidson Co. map and I have noted the general area of this cemetery.
>
> George Greer d Feb. 3, 1815, aged 19 years
> Benjamin Greer d Dec. 9, 1837 aged 43 years 9 mo.
> Martin Greer d July 4, 1822 Aged 56 years
> James Donley b in Co. Kerry, Ireland d Aug. 30, 1850 aged 76
> Isabel Donley d Oct 4, 1837 aged 76
>
> ---later from Thomas E. Greer; 'From the way I described the location of the Martin Greer Cemetery in my previous letter, might sound like it is kind of in the country. There are nice homes all around it. The cemetery is on a hillside just in back of this address. Mr. Allen Tate, 113 Groome Drive, Nashville, Tenn."

In her letter dated March 27, 1997, Mrs. Dolores J. Davis enclosed family group sheets which stated that Mary (Wright) Greer was a daughter of Joseph Wright and Elizabeth (Kemp) Wright, married Martin Greer on February 25, 1788, at Franklin County, Virginia, and died in 1824 at Davidson County, Tennessee, that Martin Greer was a son of Benjamin Greer and Rachel (Lowe) Greer, was born in 1756 @ Bedford Cuonty, Vriginia, and died before July 4, 1822, at Davidson County, Tennessee, and that Mary (Wright) Greer and Martin Greer had the following children:

1) Nancy (Greer) (May) Tucker, born on January 2, 1789, at Franklin County, Virginia,

2) Joseph Greer, born on December 30, 1792, at Franklin County, Virginia,

3) Benjamin Greer, born in May 1794 at Franklin County, Virginia,

4) Mary "Polly" (Greer) (Vaughan) Anderson, born at Franklin County, Virginia,

5) Elizabeth P. (Greer) Burton, born between 1794 and 1804, at Davidson County, Tennessee,

6) William Henry or A. Greer, born in 1800 or 1801 at Davidson County, Tennessee.

7) James. W. Greer, born in 1802 at Davidson County, Tennessee, and

8) Greenberry Greer, born on August 16, 1808, at Davidson County, Tennessee.

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below the children of Mary (Wright) Greer and Martin Greer were the following:

1) Nancy (Greer) (May) Tucker, born on January 2, 1789, at Virginia,

2) Joseph Greer, born on December 30, 1792, at Virginia,

3) Benjamin Greer, born about March 1794, at Virginia,

4) Elizabeth P. (Greer) Burton, born between 1794 and 1804,

5) James W. Greer, born in 1802 at Davidson County, Tennessee,

6) William A. or H. or Henry Greer, born about 1800 or 1801 or 1805 at Davidson County, Tennessee,

7) Mary "Polly" (Greer) (Vaughan) Anderson, born probably before 1807, and

8) Greenberry Greer, born on August 16, 1808, at Davidson County, Tennessee.

a. <u>Nancy (Greer) (May) Tucker And Her Husbands John May And Wesley Tucker</u>

Nancy (Greer) (May) Tucker was a daughter of Mary (Wright) Greer and Martin Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3])

The will of Martin Greer dated March 11, 1822, and probated in July 1822 at Davidson County, Tennessee, W.B. 8/123 listed Nancy May as his daughter:

". . . . Item 1st I give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Nancy May one horse and saddle feather bed and furniture one cow and calf two ewes and Lamb being the property already delivered her after marriage . . . ."

In her letter dated January 17, 1989, Ms. Iris N. Garner enclosed family group sheets which stated that Nancy Greer was born on January 2, 1789, and was married on February 6, 1805, at Davidson County, Tennessee.

In her letter dated March 27, 1997, Mrs. Dolores J. Davis enclosed family group sheets which stated that Nancy Greer was a daughter of Mary (Wright) Greer and Martin Greer, was born on January 2, 1789, at Franklin County, Virginia, married first John May on February 6, 1805, at Davidson County, Tennessee, married second Wesley Tucker on April 2, 1829, and died on January 30, 1868.

b. Joseph Greer, His Wife Mary (Mitchell) Greer, And His Descendants

Joseph Greer was a son of Mary (Wright) Greer and Martin Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3])

The will of Martin Greer dated March 11, 1822, and probated in July 1822 at Davidson County, Tennessee, W.B. 8/123 listed Joseph Greer as his son:

". . . . Item 2d I give and bequeath unto my beloved son Joseph Greer one horse and saddle, feather bed and furniture, one cow and calf two ewes and lambs being the property already delivered him after marriage . . . ."

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certain tract or parcel of land in Bedford County on Stanton river containing fifty acres it being the land allotted to Mary Greer the wife of Martin Greer Deceased out of the estate of Joseph Wright Dec. by commissioners appointed by the County Court of Bedford and returned by them to the said Court the courses of the said land may be had by reference thereto. Together with all and singular the appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining. To have and to hold the said bargained land and premises unto him the said Joseph Wright his heirs and assigns forever, and he the said Greenbury Greer attorney &c doth warrant and forever defend a good and lawful right and title in fee simple the said land unto him the said Joseph Wright and his heirs and &c

In Witness whereof the said Greenbury Greer attorney for Mary Greer Joseph Greer & Benjamin Greer Executors of Martin Greer Decd. hath hereunto set his hand and seal the date above written.

Green B. Greer

Franklin County Sct, We Robert Woods and Moses Greer Jr. Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Green B. Greer a party to a certain deed bearing date on the 7th day of Febuary 1825 & hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid & acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and desired us to certify the said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Bedford in order that the said deed may be recorded. Given under our hands and seals this 7th day of Febuary 1825

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Moses Greer Jr.

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hand paid the receipt whereof he doth hereby acknowledge have granted bargained and sold and by these presents do grant bargain & sell & confirm unto the said Joseph Wright his heirs and assigns forever one Certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in the County of Franklin containing fifteen acres be the same more or less it being the land allotted to Mary Greer the wife of Martin Greer Decd by Commissioners appointed by the County Court of Bedford to divid the lands of Joseph Wright decd between the heirs of the Said Wright and returned to the said Court by the Commissioners aforesaid the Corses of the said land may be had by Reference thereto together with all and Singular the right title & interest thereunto aperataining or in any wise belonging or apertaining to have and to hold the said land and bargained premises unto him the Said Joseph Wright forever & he the said Greenberry Greer attorney &c doth warrant and forever defend good and lawful right and title in fee simple to the said land unto him the said Joseph Wright and his heirs &c In testimony whereof the said Greenberry Greer attorney for Mary Greer, Joseph Greer, & Benjamin Greer Executors of Martin Greer deceased hath set his hand & seal the day above Written

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Teste
Caleb Tate, c.f.c."

On March 8, 1834, in Land Patent No. 2607, Joseph Greer patented 40 acres of land in Lafayette County, Missouri:

"Certificate No. 2607
The United States of America,

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

Whereas, Joseph Greer of Lafayette County has deposited in the General Land Office of the United States, a certificate of the Register of the Land Office at Lexington whereby it appears that full payment has been made by the said Joseph Greer according to the provisions of the act of Congress of the 24th of

April 1820, entitled "An act making further provision for the sale of the Public Lands," for the North West quarter of the South West quarter of Section thirty Six in Township fifty one, South of Missouri River of Range twenty six, in the District of Lands Subject to Sale of Lexington, Missouri, containing forty acres according to the official plat of the survey of the said Lands returned to the General Land Office by the Surveyor General, which said tract has been purchased by the said Joseph Greer

Now Know Ye, That the United States of America, in consideration of the premises, and in conformity with the several acts of Congress, in such case made and provided, have given and granted, and by these presents, do give and grant unto the said Joseph Greer and to his heirs, the said tract above described: To Have and to Hold the same, together with all the rights, privileges, immunities and appurtenances, of whatsoever nature thereunto belonging, unto the said Joseph Greer and to his heirs and assigns forever.

In testimony whereof, I, Andrew Jackson President of the United States of America, have caused these Letters to be made Patent, and the Seal of the General Land Office to be hereunto affixed.

Given under my hand, at the City of Washington, the Eighth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty four and of the Independence of the United States the fifty Eighth

By the President:
Andrew Jackson,
By A J Donelson Sec'y

Elijah Hayward
Commissioner of the
General Land Office."

On November 6, 1835, in Land Patent No. 3544, Joseph Greer patented 40 acres of land in Lafayette County, Missouri:

"Certificate No. 3544
The United States of America,

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

Whereas, Joseph Greer of Lafayette County has deposited in the General Land Office of the United States, a certificate of the Register of the Land Office at Lexington, whereby it appears that full payment has been made by the said

Joseph Greer according to the provisions of the act of Congress of the 24th of April 1820, entitled "An act making further provision for the sale of the Public Lands," for the North East quarter of the South East quarter of Section Thirty five in Township Fifty one, south of Missouri river of Range Twenty Six, in the District of Lands Subject to Sale at Lexington Missouri, containing Forty acres according to the official plat of the survey of the said Lands, returned to the General Land Office by the Surveyor General, which said tract has been purchased by the said Joseph Greer

Now Know Ye, That the United States of America, in consideration of the premises, and in conformity with the several acts of Congress, in such case made and provided, have given and granted, and, by these presents, do give and grant unto the said Joseph Greer and to his heirs, the said tract above described: To Have and to Hold the same, together with all the rights, privileges, immunities and appurtenances, of whatsoever nature thereunto belonging, unto the said Joseph Greer and to his heirs and assigns forever.

In testimony whereof, I, Andrew Jackson President of the United States of America, have caused these Letters to be made patent, and the seal of the General Land Office to be hereunto affixed.

Given under my hand, at the City of Washington, the Sixth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and Thirty five and of the Independence of the United States the Sixtieth

By the President:
Andrew Jackson,
By A J Donelson Sec'y
Ethan A Brown
Commissioner of the
General Land Office."

In her email dated September 3, 1999, Dolores J. Davis stated that the 1860 Census for Lafayette County, Missouri, listed Joseph Grear with the following household:

Name	Age	Sex	Occupation	Born
Joseph Grear	63	M	Farmer	Tenn.
Polly Grear	62	F		Tenn.
Michell Fox	25	F		Mo.
Mary Fox	3	F		Mo.
George Beeatman	15	M		Mo.

In her letter dated March 27, 1997, Mrs. Dolores J. Davis enclosed a copy of the will of Joseph Greer dated June 19, 1855, and probated on March 10, 1874, at Lafayette County, Missouri, which provided as follows:

> "Know all men by these presents, that I Joseph Greer of the County of Lafayette in the State of Missouri being in ill health but of Sound Mind and in view of the uncertainty of this life do therefore make publish and declare this to be my last Will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me heretofore made and revoking especially the one made by me bearing date October 20th 1846 and attested by O H White & Danl. Ray.
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> First my will is that all my just debts be fully paid Second All the balance of my estate (after my debts are paid), of every kind and description real personal and mixed including my Slaves I give devise & bequeathe to my Wife Polly Greer for and during her natural life with full power to Sell & dispose of So much & Such parts thereof as she may think proper or find necessary for her own Convenience & Support and after her death the Whole of my estate So devised to my Said Wife for life, or whatever of the Same Shall then remain undisposed of I give & Will to be equally divided amongst all my Children named as follows to wit Emily Dickson, Martin Greer, George Greer, Barbara Ann Wiley, Julia A. Johnson, John Greer, Michel Greer, Francis M Greer, & Elizabeth Boatman giving to each the equal one ninth part forever lastly I hereby nominate and appoint my Wife Polly Greer to be the Executrix of this my last Will & testament In Witness whereof I hereto Set My hand and Seal the 19th day of June 1855
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> Witnesses Joseph Greer
> C M Jacques
> John C Anderson
> L W Smallwood
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> State of Missouri) In Vacation Lafayette County
> County of Lafayette) Probate Court = March 10, 1874
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> I John E Burden clerk of the Probate Court within and for said County having Examined the foregoing Instrument of writing purporting to be the last Will and testament of Joseph Greer deceased, and having taken reduced to writing and examined the testimony of Lewis W Smallwood one of the subscribing witnesses to said Instrument of writing who was first duly Sworn and Examined touching the Execution of said Instrument by said decedent, and having also had the testimony of G. M. Jacques the other Subscribing Witness to said Instrument taken and reduced to writing by Joseph C. Ransom a Justice of the Peace of the County of Jackson State of Missouri who was Commissioned by the Clerk of this Court to take the same, and which said Commission was returned to the Clerk of

this Court duly Executed by said Justice according to law - Do determine adjudge and declare the said Instrument of writing to be the last will and testament of Joseph Greer deceased and admit the same to record as such.

In testimony whereof I hereunto Set my hand and affix the seal of said Court at Office this the 16 day of March 1874.

John E. Burden Clerk"

This record identifies the children of Joseph Greer and Mary (Mitchell) Greer as follows:

1) Emily (Wright) Dickson,
2) Martin Greer,
3) George Greer,
4) Barbara Ann (Greer) Wiley,
5) Julia A. (Greer) Johnson,
6) John Greer,
7) Michel Greer,
8) Francis M. Greer, and
9) Elizabeth (Greer) Boatman.

In her letter dated March 27, 1997, Mrs. Dolores J. Davis enclosed a copy of a deed for the sale of the real property of Joseph Greer pursuant to the suit of his heirs dated January 16, 1877, and recorded at La Fayette County, Missouri, D.B. 24/403:

"To All to Whom these Presents shall Come, I Geo M Mountjoy Sheriff of Lafayette County in the State of Missouri, decd, Greeting: Whereas Martin Greer, Julia A. Johnson and William Johnson her husband, Barbara Wiley and William Wiley her husband, Michel E Puckett and __ton Puckett her husband Missouri Francis Lay and Marron Lay, her husband, Barbara A. Kentin and John Kentin, her husband, ____ Mau, Joseph B. Dixon, Martha Dixon Sarah Wilson and William Wilson, her husband, Atheler(?) P. McDonald and her husband Alfred McDonald, Joseph T. Greer William H Greer and George B Greer, David R. Greer, and Daniel Greer, who sue by their Guardian William H Greer, and May E. Greer, James M. Greer, Margaret Garnett & her husband William Garnett and Sarah A. Greer, Jon W. Greer and Lydia Greer minors who sue by their Guardian William Doak(?), and Lafayette Boatman Plaintiffs, Ex partie heretofore instituted their suit in the Probate Court of Lafayette County and State of Missouri, for the partition of certain real estate herein after described, and whereas at the April Term of said Court, for the year AD 1875 and on the 7th day

of said term being the 12th day of April 1875, a judgment was rendered by said Court in said suit for partition, and Whereas, at the term of said Court aforesaid, and in the day and year aforesaid it appearing to said Court that partition of said real estate could not be made without great prejudice to the owners thereof, and order was made that said real estate and every part thereof be sold by the Sheriff of said County, at public sale to the highest bidder for one third cash, in hand, one third on a credit of six months and one third on a credit of twelve months with Bond and approved security with interest from maturity at the rate of ten per cent per annum on defered payments and whereas in pursuance to said order of sale so made as aforesaid I the undersigned Sheriff of said County did, afterwards on the 12th day of July 1875 levy upon and seize all the right title, interest and estate of the within named plaintiff ex parte of in and to the real estate hereinafter described, And Whereas, in pursuance of said order of sale so made as aforesaid, I the undersigned Sheriff of said County, did afterwards advertise said real estate for sale as said Judgment & order of sale mentioned, and described, in the Lexington Weekly Intelligencer and in the Missouri Thulboth the former in the English and the latter in the German Language & both of said papers printed and publlished in our said County of Lafayette for upwards of twenty days before the day of sale to be sold on the 9th day of August 1875 before Court House door in said County first 1/3 cash in hand 1/3 in a credit of 6 months and 1/3 on a credit of 12 month with Bond & security with interest from maturity at the rate of ten per cent per annum on defered payment - said advertisements containing a particular description of the Real Estate to be sold and where situated __ Whereas, in pursuance of said order of sale, levy and of said advertisement, I the undersigned Sheriff of said County afterwards on 9th day of August 1875 offered for sale said real at public sale to the highest bidder, upon the above aforesaid terms, before the Court House door in said County, and whilst the Circuit Court, for said County was in Session, and at the August Term thereof, 1875, between the hours of 9 oclock in the forenoon and 5 oclock in the afternoon of that day, the same being the time when and the place at which said real estate had been advertised to be sold, as aforesaid: and John Johnson having purchased said real estate hereinafter described, and whereas, afterwards, said Sheriff reported said sale to said Probate Court at the July Term of said Court & that being 23 day of August 1875, and it was ordered adjudged and decreed by said Court, that said sale be and the same is hereby set aside and held for naught, and whereas, afterward at the said July adjourned Term of said Court, and on said 23rd day of August 1875, it was ordered, adjudged & decreed by said Court, that the decree in partition & order of sale be rendered by this Court, at the April Term 1875, be sure the same was reordered generally, And whereas at said time on the day & year aforesaid, a renewed order of sale was issued from the office of the Clerk of the Probate Court for said County, that said Real Estate and every part thereof, hereinafter described by sold by the Sheriff of said County, at public sale, upon the aforesaid Terms as set out in the

original order of sale, and Whereas in pursuance of said order of sale so made as aforesaid, I the undersigned Sheriff of said County, did September 13th 1875, levy upon and seize all the right title interest and estate of the within named Plaintiff's Ex parte, of in and to the real estate hereinafter described: And Whereas in pursuance of said renewed order of sale, so made as aforesaid, I the undersigned Sheriff of said County, did afterwards advertise said real estate for sale in said Judgment & order of sale, mentioned and desscribed in the Lexington Weekly Intelligencer and the Missouri Thulboth, the former in the English and the latter in the German Language & both of said papers printed and published in my said County of Lafayette, for at least twenty days before the day of sale, to be sold on the 4th day of January AD 1876, before the Court House Door, in said County, for One Third cash in hand 1/3 on a credit 6 month and 1/3 on of credit of 12 months with bond and approved security with interest at the rate of ten per cent per annum, from maturity, on Defered payments, said advertisement containing a particular description of the real estate to be sold, and where situated: And Whereas, in pursuance of said order of sale levy, and of said advertisement, I the undersigned Sheriff of said County afterwards in said 4th day of January 1876, offered for sale, said real estate at public sale to the highest bidder upon the aforesaid terms before the Court House door in said County of Lafayette and whilst the Probate Court for said County was in session, and at the January Term thereof, for the year 1876 between the hours of nine oclock in the forenoon and 5 oclock in the afternoon, of said day, the same being the time when and the place, at which said real estate had been advertised to be sold, as aforeaid and George Garr having then and there bid the sum of Twenty five Hundred & Seventy five ($2575-00/100) Dollars, for 40 acres the north West quarter of the South West quarter of section thirty six (36), also One Hundred and Fifty eight and one half (158-1/2) acres, the North West quarter of section Thirty Six (36), It embracing all of said North West quarter except one and one half acres of said quarter section in the South East corner of the North West quarter, to be laid off in a square, sold by the said deceased in his life time to the inhabitants of Doner(?) Township, for a grave yard: all of the above described tracts or parcels of land being in Township Fifty one (51), Range Twenty six (26) containing in the aggregate (198-1/2) acres, all of the above and foregoing real estate being the same real estate advertised as aforesaid, and all situated in Lafayette County, Missour, And Whereas, the undersigned Sheriff of said County afterwards at the April Term of said Probate Court for the year 1876, and on the 1st day of said Term being the 3rd day of April 1876 made a full report, to said Court of said sale and of all his proceedings relating thereto which report was on the 13th day of April 1876 being the 10th day of said Term approved and sale confirmed by said Court & whereas the said George Garr has paid to me the whole amount of said purchase money bid by him for said real estate as aforesaid amounting in the aggregate to Two Thousand Five Hundred and Seventy five Dollars, ($2575.00/100)

Now Therefore; Know Ye, all men that I, George M. Mountjoy, Sheriff of Lafayette County, State of Missouri, By virtue of the power and authority of the law in me vested in consideration of the premises, and for and in consideration of the sum of twenty five Hundred & Seventy five Dollars ($2575.00/100) to me in hand paid by the said George Garr, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged have bargained and sold and by these presents do hereby bargain and sell and convey unto the said George Garr, his heirs and assigns forever, all the right title interest and claim which the said parties Plaintiffs Ex parte in said suit have or had in and to the real estate above described and every part thereof

To Have and to Hold the same, That is to say all the right, title interest and claim which the said parties, Plaintiffs Ex parte in said suit have or had in and to said real estate herein above described unto him the said George Garr his heirs and assigns forever. In Witness whereof I George M Mountjoy Sheriff of Lafayette County hereunto seting hand & seal this the 16th day of January AD 1877.

Geo. M Mountjoy Sheriff

State of Missouri
County of Lafayette

Be it Remembered That George M Mountjoy Sheriff of Lafayette County and state aforesaid, who is personally sworn to the undersigned, Probate Judge, within & for said County, to be the person whose name is subscribed, to the foregoing deed, as a party thereto this day appeared before me in April Court, and acknowledged that he executed and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed, for the uses and purposes therein contained

Witness my hand and the seal of our Court attached, this 16th day of January AD 1877.

Wm. T. Gammon
Probate Judge

Filed for Record, January 16th 1877 @ 5 pm

Jacob D Connor Recorder"

In her letter dated January 17, 1989, Ms. Iris N. Garner enclosed family group sheets that stated that Joseph Greer was born in 1792, married Mary Mitchell on June 14, 1814, at Davidson County, Tennessee, and was buried in Lafayette County, Tennessee.

In her letters dated March 27, 1997, and June 10, 1998, Mrs. Dolores J. Davis enclosed family group sheets which stated that Joseph Greer was a son of Mary (Wright) Greer and Martin Greer, was born on December 30, 1792, at Franklin County, Virginia, or Davidson County, Tennessee, married Mary "Polly" Mitchell on June 16, 1814, at Davidson County, Tennessee, and died on January 30, 1871, at Lafayette County, Missouri, that Mary "Polly" (Mitchell) Greer was born on October 27, 1793, at Virginia, and died on June 11, 1862, at Lafayette County or Johnson County, Missouri, and that Joseph Greer and Mary (Mitchell) Greer had the following children:

1) Emily (Greer) (Marr) Dickson or Dixon, born about 1815 at Davidson County, Tennessee.

2) Martin Greer, born about 1817 at Davidson County, Tennessee,

3) George W. Greer, born on March 13, 1819, at Davidson County, Tennessee,

4) Barbara A. (Greer) Wiley, born about 1820 at Davidson County, Tennessee,

5) Julia Ann (Greer) Johnson, born about 1823 at Davidson County, Tennessee,

6) John Greer, born about 1826 at Davidson County, Tennessee,

7) Michel Elizabeth (Greer) Prickett, born about 1827 probably at Tennessee,

8) Frances Missouri (Greer) Lay, born about 1829 probably at Missouri, and

9) Elizabeth (Greer) Boatman, born about 1830 probably at Missouri.

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below, the children of Joseph Greer and Mary (Mitchell) Greer may be identified as follows:

1) Emily (Greer) (Marr) Dickson or Dixon, born about 1815 at Davidson County, Tennessee,

2) Martin Greer, born about 1817 at Davidson County, Tennessee,

3) George W. Greer, born on March 13, 1819, at Davidson County, Tennessee,

4) Barbara Ann (Greer) Wiley, born about 1820 at Davidson County, Tennessee,

5) Julia Ann (Greer) Johnson, born about 1823 at Davidson County, Tennessee,

6) John Greer, born about 1826 at Davidson County, Tennessee,

7) Michel Elizabeth (Greer) Prickett, born about 1827 probably at Tennessee,

8) Frances Missouri (Greer) Lay, born about 1829 probably at Missouri, and

9) Elizabeth (Greer) Boatman, born about 1830 probably at Missouri.

i. Emily (Greer) (Marr) Dickson Or Dixon, Her Husbands Almond Marr And Jesse Dickson Or Dixon, And Her Descendants

Emily (Greer) (Marr) Dickson or Dixon was a daughter of Joseph Greer and Mary (Mitchell) Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3], Joseph[4])

In her letter dated March 27, 1997, Mrs. Dolores J. Davis enclosed a copy of the will of Joseph Greer dated June 19, 1855, and probated on March 10, 1874, at Lafayette County, Missouri, which listed Emily Dickson as one of his children:

> "Know all men by these presents, that I Joseph Greer of the County of Lafayette in the State of Missouri being in ill health but of Sound Mind and in view of the uncertainty of this life do therefore make publish and declare this to be my last Will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me heretofore made and revoking especially the one made by me bearing date October 20th 1846 and attested by O H White & Danl. Ray.
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> First my will is that all my just debts be fully paid Second All the balance of my estate (after my debts are paid), of every kind and description real personal and mixed including my Slaves I give devise & bequeathe to my Wife Polly Greer for and during her natural life with full power to Sell & dispose of So much & Such parts thereof as she may think proper or find necessary for her own Convenience & Support and after her death the Whole of my estate So devised to my Said Wife for life, or whatever of the Same Shall then remain undisposed of I give & Will to be equally divided amongst all my Children named as follows to wit Emily Dickson, Martin Greer, George Greer, Barbara Ann Wiley, Julia A. Johnson,

John Greer, Michel Greer, Francis M Greer, & Elizabeth Boatman giving to each the equal one ninth part forever lastly I hereby nominate and appoint my Wife Polly Greer to be the Executrix of this my last Will & testament In Witness whereof I hereto Set My hand and Seal the 19th day of June 1855

Witnesses
C M Jacques
John C Anderson
L W Smallwood

Joseph Greer

State of Missouri) In Vacation Lafayette County
County of Lafayette) Probate Court = March 10, 1874

I John E Burden clerk of the Probate Court within and for said County having Examined the foregoing Instrument of writing purporting to be the last Will and testament of Joseph Greer deceased, and having taken reduced to writing and examined the testimony of Lewis W Smallwood one of the subscribing witnesses to said Instrument of writing who was first duly Sworn and Examined touching the Execution of said Instrument by said decedent, and having also had the testimony of G. M. Jacques the other Subscribing Witness to said Instrument taken and reduced to writing by Joseph C. Ransom a Justice of the Peace of the County of Jackson State of Missouri who was Commissioned by the Clerk of this Court to take the same, and which said Commission was returned to the Clerk of this Court duly Executed by said Justice according to law - Do determine adjudge and declare the said Instrument of writing to be the last will and testament of Joseph Greer deceased and admit the same to record as such.

In testimony whereof I hereunto Set my hand and affix the seal of said Court at Office this the 16 day of March 1874.

John E. Burden Clerk"

In her letters dated March 27, 1997, and June 10, 1998, Mrs. Dolores J. Davis enclosed family group sheets which stated that Emily Greer was a daughter of Joseph Greer and Mary (Mitchell) Greer, was born about 1815 at Davidson County, Tennessee, married first Almond Marr, Sr., on April 10, 1834, at Lafayette County, Missouri, married second Jesse Dickson or Dixon on January 7, 1842, at Johnson County, Missouri, and died before 1874, that Almond Marr was born about 1815 at Buncombe County, North Carolina, or Tennessee and died before August 7, 1839, at Johnson County, Missouri, and that Emily (Greer) Marr and Almond Marr had the following children:

1) Ann "Nancy" Elizabeth Marr, born about 1836,

2) Barbara Ann (Marr) Kenton, born about 1837 of 1838 at Lafayette County or Johnson County, Missouri, and

3) Almond Marr, Jr., born about 1840.

ii. Martin Greer And His Wife Martha J. (Grainger) Greer

Martin Greer was a son of Joseph Greer and Mary (Mitchell) Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3], Joseph[4])

In her letter dated March 27, 1997, Mrs. Dolores J. Davis enclosed a copy of the will of Joseph Greer dated June 19, 1855, and probated on March 10, 1874, at Lafayette County, Missouri, which listed Martin Greer as one of his children:

> "Know all men by these presents, that I Joseph Greer of the County of Lafayette in the State of Missouri being in ill health but of Sound Mind and in view of the uncertainty of this life do therefore make publish and declare this to be my last Will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me heretofore made and revoking especially the one made by me bearing date October 20th 1846 and attested by O H White & Danl. Ray.
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> First my will is that all my just debts be fully paid Second All the balance of my estate (after my debts are paid), of every kind and description real personal and mixed including my Slaves I give devise & bequeathe to my Wife Polly Greer for and during her natural life with full power to Sell & dispose of So much & Such parts thereof as she may think proper or find necessary for her own Convenience & Support and after her death the Whole of my estate So devised to my Said Wife for life, or whatever of the Same Shall then remain undisposed of I give & Will to be equally divided amongst all my Children named as follows to wit Emily Dickson, Martin Greer, George Greer, Barbara Ann Wiley, Julia A. Johnson, John Greer, Michel Greer, Francis M Greer, & Elizabeth Boatman giving to each the equal one ninth part forever lastly I hereby nominate and appoint my Wife Polly Greer to be the Executrix of this my last Will & testament In Witness whereof I hereto Set My hand and Seal the 19th day of June 1855
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> Witnesses Joseph Greer
> C M Jacques
> John C Anderson
> L W Smallwood
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> State of Missouri) In Vacation Lafayette County
> County of Lafayette) Probate Court = March 10, 1874

I John E Burden clerk of the Probate Court within and for said County having Examined the foregoing Instrument of writing purporting to be the last Will and testament of Joseph Greer deceased, and having taken reduced to writing and examined the testimony of Lewis W Smallwood one of the subscribing witnesses to said Instrument of writing who was first duly Sworn and Examined touching the Execution of said Instrument by said decedent, and having also had the testimony of G. M. Jacques the other Subscribing Witness to said Instrument taken and reduced to writing by Joseph C. Ransom a Justice of the Peace of the County of Jackson State of Missouri who was Commissioned by the Clerk of this Court to take the same, and which said Commission was returned to the Clerk of this Court duly Executed by said Justice according to law - Do determine adjudge and declare the said Instrument of writing to be the last will and testament of Joseph Greer deceased and admit the same to record as such.

In testimony whereof I hereunto Set my hand and affix the seal of said Court at Office this the 16 day of March 1874.

John E. Burden Clerk"

In her letter dated June 10, 1998, Dolores J. Davis enclosed family group sheets which stated that Martin Greer was a son of Joseph Greer and Mary (Mitchell) Greer, was born about 1817 at Davidson County, Tennessee, married Martha J. Grainger on February 28, 1839, at Johnson County, Missouri, and died after 1877.

iii. <u>George Greer And His Wife Mary Jane (Marr) Greer</u>

George Greer was a son of Joseph Greer and Mary (Mitchell) Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3], Joseph[4])

In her letter dated March 27, 1997, Mrs. Dolores J. Davis enclosed a copy of the will of Joseph Greer dated June 19, 1855, and probated on March 10, 1874, at Lafayette County, Missouri, which listed George Greer as one of his children:

"Know all men by these presents, that I Joseph Greer of the County of Lafayette in the State of Missouri being in ill health but of Sound Mind and in view of the uncertainty of this life do therefore make publish and declare this to be my last Will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me heretofore made and revoking especially the one made by me bearing date October 20th 1846 and attested by O H White & Danl. Ray.

First my will is that all my just debts be fully paid Second All the balance of my estate (after my debts are paid), of every kind and description real personal and

mixed including my Slaves I give devise & bequeathe to my Wife Polly Greer for and during her natural life with full power to Sell & dispose of So much & Such parts thereof as she may think proper or find necessary for her own Convenience & Support and after her death the Whole of my estate So devised to my Said Wife for life, or whatever of the Same Shall then remain undisposed of I give & Will to be equally divided amongst all my Children named as follows to wit Emily Dickson, Martin Greer, George Greer, Barbara Ann Wiley, Julia A. Johnson, John Greer, Michel Greer, Francis M Greer, & Elizabeth Boatman giving to each the equal one ninth part forever lastly I hereby nominate and appoint my Wife Polly Greer to be the Executrix of this my last Will & testament In Witness whereof I hereto Set My hand and Seal the 19th day of June 1855

Witnesses Joseph Greer
C M Jacques
John C Anderson
L W Smallwood

State of Missouri) In Vacation Lafayette County
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I John E Burden clerk of the Probate Court within and for said County having Examined the foregoing Instrument of writing purporting to be the last Will and testament of Joseph Greer deceased, and having taken reduced to writing and examined the testimony of Lewis W Smallwood one of the subscribing witnesses to said Instrument of writing who was first duly Sworn and Examined touching the Execution of said Instrument by said decedent, and having also had the testimony of G. M. Jacques the other Subscribing Witness to said Instrument taken and reduced to writing by Joseph C. Ransom a Justice of the Peace of the County of Jackson State of Missouri who was Commissioned by the Clerk of this Court to take the same, and which said Commission was returned to the Clerk of this Court duly Executed by said Justice according to law - Do determine adjudge and declare the said Instrument of writing to be the last will and testament of Joseph Greer deceased and admit the same to record as such.

In testimony whereof I hereunto Set my hand and affix the seal of said Court at Office this the 16 day of March 1874.

John E. Burden Clerk"

In her letter dated June 10, 1998, Dolores J. Davis enclosed family group sheets which stated that George Greer was a son of Joseph Greer and Mary (Mitchell) Greer, was born on March 13, 1819, at Davidson County, Tennessee, married Mary Jane Marr

on October 21, 1841, at Johnson County, Missouri, and died on November 20, 1865, at Johnson County, Missouri.

iv. Barbara Ann (Greer) Wiley And Her Husband William Wiley

Barbara Ann (Greer) Wiley was a daughter of Joseph Greer and Mary (Mitchell) Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3], Joseph[4])

In her letter dated March 27, 1997, Mrs. Dolores J. Davis enclosed a copy of the will of Joseph Greer dated June 19, 1855, and probated on March 10, 1874, at Lafayette County, Missouri, which listed Barbara Ann Wiley as one of his children:

> "Know all men by these presents, that I Joseph Greer of the County of Lafayette in the State of Missouri being in ill health but of Sound Mind and in view of the uncertainty of this life do therefore make publish and declare this to be my last Will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me heretofore made and revoking especially the one made by me bearing date October 20th 1846 and attested by O H White & Danl. Ray.
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> First my will is that all my just debts be fully paid Second All the balance of my estate (after my debts are paid), of every kind and description real personal and mixed including my Slaves I give devise & bequeathe to my Wife Polly Greer for and during her natural life with full power to Sell & dispose of So much & Such parts thereof as she may think proper or find necessary for her own Convenience & Support and after her death the Whole of my estate So devised to my Said Wife for life, or whatever of the Same Shall then remain undisposed of I give & Will to be equally divided amongst all my Children named as follows to wit Emily Dickson, Martin Greer, George Greer, Barbara Ann Wiley, Julia A. Johnson, John Greer, Michel Greer, Francis M Greer, & Elizabeth Boatman giving to each the equal one ninth part forever lastly I hereby nominate and appoint my Wife Polly Greer to be the Executrix of this my last Will & testament In Witness whereof I hereto Set My hand and Seal the 19th day of June 1855
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> Witnesses — Joseph Greer
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> L W Smallwood

State of Missouri) In Vacation Lafayette County
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I John E Burden clerk of the Probate Court within and for said County having Examined the foregoing Instrument of writing purporting to be the last Will and testament of Joseph Greer deceased, and having taken reduced to writing and examined the testimony of Lewis W Smallwood one of the subscribing witnesses to said Instrument of writing who was first duly Sworn and Examined touching the Execution of said Instrument by said decedent, and having also had the testimony of G. M. Jacques the other Subscribing Witness to said Instrument taken and reduced to writing by Joseph C. Ransom a Justice of the Peace of the County of Jackson State of Missouri who was Commissioned by the Clerk of this Court to take the same, and which said Commission was returned to the Clerk of this Court duly Executed by said Justice according to law - Do determine adjudge and declare the said Instrument of writing to be the last will and testament of Joseph Greer deceased and admit the same to record as such.

In testimony whereof I hereunto Set my hand and affix the seal of said Court at Office this the 16 day of March 1874.

John E. Burden Clerk"

In her letter dated March 27, 1997, Mrs. Dolores J. Davis also enclosed a copy of a deed of sale of the real property of Joseph Greer which identified William Wiley as the husband of Barbara Ann (Greer) Wiley:

"To All to Whom these Presents shall Come, I Geo M Mountjoy Sheriff of Lafayette County in the State of Missouri, decd, Greeting: Whereas Martin Greer, Julia A. Johnson and William Johnson her husband, Barbara Wiley and William Wiley her husband, Michel E Puckett and __ton Puckett her husband Missouri Francis Lay and Marron Lay, her husband, Barbara A. Kentin and John Kentin, her husband, _____ Mau, Joseph B. Dixon, Martha Dixon Sarah Wilson and William Wilson, her husband, Atheler(?) P. McDonald and her husband Alfred McDonald, Joseph T. Greer William H Greer and George B Greer, David R. Greer, and Daniel Greer, who sue by their Guardian William H Greer, and May E. Greer, James M. Greer, Margaret Garnett & her husband William Garnett and Sarah A. Greer, Jon W. Greer and Lydia Greer minors who sue by their Guardian William Doak(?), and Lafayette Boatman Plaintiffs, Ex partie heretofore instituted their suit in the Probate Court of Lafayette County and State of Missouri, for the partition of certain real estate herein after described, and whereas at the April Term of said Court, for the year AD 1875 and on the 7th day of said term being the 12th day of April 1875, a judgment was rendered by said Court in said suit for partition, and Whereas, at the term of said Court aforesaid,

and in the day and year aforesaid it appearing to said Court that partition of said real estate could not be made without great prejudice to the owners thereof, and order was made that said real estate and every part thereof be sold by the Sheriff of said County, at public sale to the highest bidder for one third cash, in hand, one third on a credit of six months and one third on a credit of twelve months with Bond and approved security with interest from maturity at the rate of ten per cent per annum on defered payments and whereas in pursuance to said order of sale so made as aforesaid I the undersigned Sheriff of said County did, afterwards on the 12th day of July 1875 levy upon and seize all the right title, interest and estate of the within named plaintiff ex parte of in and to the real estate hereinafter described, And Whereas, in pursuance of said order of sale so made as aforesaid, I the undersigned Sheriff of said County, did afterwards advertise said real estate for sale as said Judgment & order of sale mentioned, and described, in the Lexington Weekly Intelligencer and in the Missouri Thulboth the former in the English and the latter in the German Language & both of said papers printed and publlished in our said County of Lafayette for upwards of twenty days before the day of sale to be sold on the 9th day of August 1875 before Court House door in said County first 1/3 cash in hand 1/3 in a credit of 6 months and 1/3 on a credit of 12 month with Bond & security with interest from maturity at the rate of ten per cent per annum on defered payment - said advertisements containing a particular description of the Real Estate to be sold and where situated __ Whereas, in pursuance of said order of sale, levy and of said advertisement, I the undersigned Sheriff of said County afterwards on 9th day of August 1875 offered for sale said real at public sale to the highest bidder, upon the above aforesaid terms, before the Court House door in said County, and whilst the Circuit Court, for said County was in Session, and at the August Term thereof, 1875, between the hours of 9 oclock in the forenoon and 5 oclock in the afternoon of that day, the same being the time when and the place at which said real estate had been advertised to be sold, as aforesaid: and John Johnson having purchased said real estate hereinafter described, and whereas, afterwards, said Sheriff reported said sale to said Probate Court at the July Term of said Court & that being 23 day of August 1875, and it was ordered adjudged and decreed by said Court, that said sale be and the same is hereby set aside and held for naught, and whereas, afterward at the said July adjourned Term of said Court, and on said 23rd day of August 1875, it was ordered, adjudged & decreed by said Court, that the decree in partition & order of sale be rendered by this Court, at the April Term 1875, be sure the same was reordered generally, And whereas at said time on the day & year aforesaid, a renewed order of sale was issued from the office of the Clerk of the Probate Court for said County, that said Real Estate and every part thereof, hereinafter described by sold by the Sheriff of said County, at public sale, upon the aforesaid Terms as set out in the original order of sale, and Whereas in pursuance of said order of sale so made as aforesaid, I the undersigned Sheriff of said County, did September 13th 1875,

levy upon and seize all the right title interest and estate of the within named Plaintiff's Ex parte, of in and to the real estate hereinafter described: And Whereas in pursuance of said renewed order of sale, so made as aforesaid, I the undersigned Sheriff of said County, did afterwards advertise said real estate for sale in said Judgment & order of sale, mentioned and desscribed in the Lexington Weekly Intelligencer and the Missouri Thulboth, the former in the English and the latter in the German Language & both of said papers printed and published in my said County of Lafayette, for at least twenty days before the day of sale, to be sold on the 4th day of January AD 1876, before the Court House Door, in said County, for One Third cash in hand 1/3 on a credit 6 month and 1/3 on of credit of 12 months with bond and approved security with interest at the rate of ten per cent per annum, from maturity, on Defered payments, said advertisement containing a particular description of the real estate to be sold, and where situated: And Whereas, in pursuance of said order of sale levy, and of said advertisement, I the undersigned Sheriff of said County afterwards in said 4th day of January 1876, offered for sale, said real estate at public sale to the highest bidder upon the aforesaid terms before the Court House door in said County of Lafayette and whilst the Probate Court for said County was in session, and at the January Term thereof, for the year 1876 between the hours of nine oclock in the forenoon and 5 oclock in the afternoon, of said day, the same being the time when and the place, at which said real estate had been advertised to be sold, as aforeaid and George Garr having then and there bid the sum of Twenty five Hundred & Seventy five ($2575-00/100) Dollars, for 40 acres the north West quarter of the South West quarter of section thirty six (36), also One Hundred and Fifty eight and one half (158-1/2) acres, the North West quarter of section Thirty Six (36), It embracing all of said North West quarter except one and one half acres of said quarter section in the South East corner of the North West quarter, to be laid off in a square, sold by the said deceased in his life time to the inhabitants of Doner(?) Township, for a grave yard: all of the above described tracts or parcels of land being in Township Fifty one (51), Range Twenty six (26) containing in the aggregate (198-1/2) acres, all of the above and foregoing real estate being the same real estate advertised as aforesaid, and all situated in Lafayette County, Missour, And Whereas, the undersigned Sheriff of said County afterwards at the April Term of said Probate Court for the year 1876, and on the 1st day of said Term being the 3rd day of April 1876 made a full report, to said Court of said sale and of all his proceedings relating thereto which report was on the 13th day of April 1876 being the 10th day of said Term approved and sale confirmed by said Court & whereas the said George Garr has paid to me the whole amount of said purchase money bid by him for said real estate as aforesaid amounting in the aggregate to Two Thousand Five Hundred and Seventy five Dollars, ($2575.00/100)

Now Therefore; Know Ye, all men that I, George M. Mountjoy, Sheriff of Lafayette County, State of Missouri, By virtue of the power and authority of the law in me vested in consideration of the premises, and for and in consideration of the sum of twenty five Hundred & Seventy five Dollars ($2575.00/100) to me in hand paid by the said George Garr, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged have bargained and sold and by these presents do hereby bargain and sell and convey unto the said George Garr, his heirs and assigns forever, all the right title interest and claim which the said parties Plaintiffs Ex parte in said suit have or had in and to the real estate above described and every part thereof

To Have and to Hold the same, That is to say all the right, title interest and claim which the said parties, Plaintiffs Ex parte in said suit have or had in and to said real estate herein above described unto him the said George Garr his heirs and assigns forever. In Witness whereof I George M Mountjoy Sheriff of Lafayette County hereunto seting hand & seal this the 16th day of January AD 1877.

Geo. M Mountjoy Sheriff

State of Missouri
County of Lafayette

Be it Remembered That George M Mountjoy Sheriff of Lafayette County and state aforesaid, who is personally sworn to the undersigned, Probate Judge, within & for said County, to be the person whose name is subscribed, to the foregoing deed, as a party thereto this day appeared before me in April Court, and acknowledged that he executed and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed, for the uses and purposes therein contained

Witness my hand and the seal of our Court attached, this 16th day of January AD 1877.

Wm. T. Gammon
Probate Judge

Filed for Record, January 16th 1877 @ 5 pm

Jacob D Connor Recorder"

In her letter dated June 10, 1998, Dolores J. Davis enclosed family group sheets which stated that Barbara A. Greer was a daughter of Joseph Greer and Mary (Mitchell) Greer, was born about 1820 at Davidson County, Tennessee, married William Wiley before 1838, and died before 1860.

v. Julia A. (Greer) Johnson And Her Husband William Johnson

Julia A. (Greer) Johnson was a daughter of Joseph Greer and Mary (Mitchell) Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3], Joseph[4])

In her letter dated March 27, 1997, Mrs. Dolores J. Davis enclosed a copy of the will of Joseph Greer dated June 19, 1855, and probated on March 10, 1874, at Lafayette County, Missouri, which listed Julia A. Johnson as one of his children:

> "Know all men by these presents, that I Joseph Greer of the County of Lafayette in the State of Missouri being in ill health but of Sound Mind and in view of the uncertainty of this life do therefore make publish and declare this to be my last Will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me heretofore made and revoking especially the one made by me bearing date October 20th 1846 and attested by O H White & Danl. Ray.
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> First my will is that all my just debts be fully paid Second All the balance of my estate (after my debts are paid), of every kind and description real personal and mixed including my Slaves I give devise & bequeathe to my Wife Polly Greer for and during her natural life with full power to Sell & dispose of So much & Such parts thereof as she may think proper or find necessary for her own Convenience & Support and after her death the Whole of my estate So devised to my Said Wife for life, or whatever of the Same Shall then remain undisposed of I give & Will to be equally divided amongst all my Children named as follows to wit Emily Dickson, Martin Greer, George Greer, Barbara Ann Wiley, Julia A. Johnson, John Greer, Michel Greer, Francis M Greer, & Elizabeth Boatman giving to each the equal one ninth part forever lastly I hereby nominate and appoint my Wife Polly Greer to be the Executrix of this my last Will & testament In Witness whereof I hereto Set My hand and Seal the 19th day of June 1855
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> Witnesses Joseph Greer
> C M Jacques
> John C Anderson
> L W Smallwood
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> State of Missouri) In Vacation Lafayette County
> County of Lafayette) Probate Court = March 10, 1874
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> I John E Burden clerk of the Probate Court within and for said County having Examined the foregoing Instrument of writing purporting to be the last Will and testament of Joseph Greer deceased, and having taken reduced to writing and examined the testimony of Lewis W Smallwood one of the subscribing witnesses

to said Instrument of writing who was first duly Sworn and Examined touching the Execution of said Instrument by said decedent, and having also had the testimony of G. M. Jacques the other Subscribing Witness to said Instrument taken and reduced to writing by Joseph C. Ransom a Justice of the Peace of the County of Jackson State of Missouri who was Commissioned by the Clerk of this Court to take the same, and which said Commission was returned to the Clerk of this Court duly Executed by said Justice according to law - Do determine adjudge and declare the said Instrument of writing to be the last will and testament of Joseph Greer deceased and admit the same to record as such.

In testimony whereof I hereunto Set my hand and affix the seal of said Court at Office this the 16 day of March 1874.

John E. Burden Clerk"

In her letter dated March 27, 1997, Mrs. Dolores J. Davis also enclosed a copy of a deed of sale of the real property of Joseph Greer which identified William Johnson as the husband of Julia A. (Greer) Johnson:

"To All to Whom these Presents shall Come, I Geo M Mountjoy Sheriff of Lafayette County in the State of Missouri, decd, Greeting: Whereas Martin Greer, Julia A. Johnson and William Johnson her husband, Barbara Wiley and William Wiley her husband, Michel E Puckett and __ton Puckett her husband Missouri Francis Lay and Marron Lay, her husband, Barbara A. Kentin and John Kentin, her husband, ____ Mau, Joseph B. Dixon, Martha Dixon Sarah Wilson and William Wilson, her husband, Atheler(?) P. McDonald and her husband Alfred McDonald, Joseph T. Greer William H Greer and George B Greer, David R. Greer, and Daniel Greer, who sue by their Guardian William H Greer, and May E. Greer, James M. Greer, Margaret Garnett & her husband William Garnett and Sarah A. Greer, Jon W. Greer and Lydia Greer minors who sue by their Guardian William Doak(?), and Lafayette Boatman Plaintiffs, Ex partie heretofore instituted their suit in the Probate Court of Lafayette County and State of Missouri, for the partition of certain real estate herein after described, and whereas at the April Term of said Court, for the year AD 1875 and on the 7th day of said term being the 12th day of April 1875, a judgment was rendered by said Court in said suit for partition, and Whereas, at the term of said Court aforesaid, and in the day and year aforesaid it appearing to said Court that partition of said real estate could not be made without great prejudice to the owners thereof, and order was made that said real estate and every part thereof be sold by the Sheriff of said County, at public sale to the highest bidder for one third cash, in hand, one third on a credit of six months and one third on a credit of twelve months with Bond and approved security with interest from maturity at the rate of ten per cent per annum on defered payments and whereas in pursuance to said

order of sale so made as aforesaid I the undersigned Sheriff of said County did, afterwards on the 12th day of July 1875 levy upon and seize all the right title, interest and estate of the within named plaintiff ex parte of in and to the real estate hereinafter described, And Whereas, in pursuance of said order of sale so made as aforesaid, I the undersigned Sheriff of said County, did afterwards advertise said real estate for sale as said Judgment & order of sale mentioned, and described, in the Lexington Weekly Intelligencer and in the Missouri Thulboth the former in the English and the latter in the German Language & both of said papers printed and publlished in our said County of Lafayette for upwards of twenty days before the day of sale to be sold on the 9th day of August 1875 before Court House door in said County first 1/3 cash in hand 1/3 in a credit of 6 months and 1/3 on a credit of 12 month with Bond & security with interest from maturity at the rate of ten per cent per annum on defered payment - said advertisements containing a particular description of the Real Estate to be sold and where situated __ Whereas, in pursuance of said order of sale, levy and of said advertisement, I the undersigned Sheriff of said County afterwards on 9th day of August 1875 offered for sale said real at public sale to the highest bidder, upon the above aforesaid terms, before the Court House door in said County, and whilst the Circuit Court, for said County was in Session, and at the August Term thereof, 1875, between the hours of 9 oclock in the forenoon and 5 oclock in the afternoon of that day, the same being the time when and the place at which said real estate had been advertised to be sold, as aforesaid: and John Johnson having purchased said real estate hereinafter described, and whereas, afterwards, said Sheriff reported said sale to said Probate Court at the July Term of said Court & that being 23 day of August 1875, and it was ordered adjudged and decreed by said Court, that said sale be and the same is hereby set aside and held for naught, and whereas, afterward at the said July adjourned Term of said Court, and on said 23rd day of August 1875, it was ordered, adjudged & decreed by said Court, that the decree in partition & order of sale be rendered by this Court, at the April Term 1875, be sure the same was reordered generally, And whereas at said time on the day & year aforesaid, a renewed order of sale was issued from the office of the Clerk of the Probate Court for said County, that said Real Estate and every part thereof, hereinafter described by sold by the Sheriff of said County, at public sale, upon the aforesaid Terms as set out in the original order of sale, and Whereas in pursuance of said order of sale so made as aforesaid, I the undersigned Sheriff of said County, did September 13th 1875, levy upon and seize all the right title interest and estate of the within named Plaintiff's Ex parte, of in and to the real estate hereinafter described: And Whereas in pursuance of said renewed order of sale, so made as aforesaid, I the undersigned Sheriff of said County, did afterwards advertise said real estate for sale in said Judgment & order of sale, mentioned and desscribed in the Lexington Weekly Intelligencer and the Missouri Thulboth, the former in the English and the latter in the German Language & both of said papers printed and

published in my said County of Lafayette, for at least twenty days before the day of sale, to be sold on the 4th day of January AD 1876, before the Court House Door, in said County, for One Third cash in hand 1/3 on a credit 6 month and 1/3 on of credit of 12 months with bond and approved security with interest at the rate of ten per cent per annum, from maturity, on Defered payments, said advertisement containing a particular description of the real estate to be sold, and where situated: And Whereas, in pursuance of said order of sale levy, and of said advertisement, I the undersigned Sheriff of said County afterwards in said 4th day of January 1876, offered for sale, said real estate at public sale to the highest bidder upon the aforesaid terms before the Court House door in said County of Lafayette and whilst the Probate Court for said County was in session, and at the January Term thereof, for the year 1876 between the hours of nine oclock in the forenoon and 5 oclock in the afternoon, of said day, the same being the time when and the place, at which said real estate had been advertised to be sold, as aforeaid and George Garr having then and there bid the sum of Twenty five Hundred & Seventy five ($2575-00/100) Dollars, for 40 acres the north West quarter of the South West quarter of section thirty six (36), also One Hundred and Fifty eight and one half (158-1/2) acres, the North West quarter of section Thirty Six (36), It embracing all of said North West quarter except one and one half acres of said quarter section in the South East corner of the North West quarter, to be laid off in a square, sold by the said deceased in his life time to the inhabitants of Doner(?) Township, for a grave yard: all of the above described tracts or parcels of land being in Township Fifty one (51), Range Twenty six (26) containing in the aggregate (198-1/2) acres, all of the above and foregoing real estate being the same real estate advertised as aforesaid, and all situated in Lafayette County, Missour, And Whereas, the undersigned Sheriff of said County afterwards at the April Term of said Probate Court for the year 1876, and on the 1st day of said Term being the 3rd day of April 1876 made a full report, to said Court of said sale and of all his proceedings relating thereto which report was on the 13th day of April 1876 being the 10th day of said Term approved and sale confirmed by said Court & whereas the said George Garr has paid to me the whole amount of said purchase money bid by him for said real estate as aforesaid amounting in the aggregate to Two Thousand Five Hundred and Seventy five Dollars, ($2575.00/100)

Now Therefore; Know Ye, all men that I, George M. Mountjoy, Sheriff of Lafayette County, State of Missouri, By virtue of the power and authority of the law in me vested in consideration of the premises, and for and in consideration of the sum of twenty five Hundred & Seventy five Dollars ($2575.00/100) to me in hand paid by the said George Garr, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged have bargained and sold and by these presents do hereby bargain and sell and convey unto the said George Garr, his heirs and assigns forever, all the right title

interest and claim which the said parties Plaintiffs Ex parte in said suit have or had in and to the real estate above described and every part thereof

To Have and to Hold the same, That is to say all the right, title interest and claim which the said parties, Plaintiffs Ex parte in said suit have or had in and to said real estate herein above described unto him the said George Garr his heirs and assigns forever. In Witness whereof I George M Mountjoy Sheriff of Lafayette County hereunto seting hand & seal this the 16th day of January AD 1877.

Geo. M Mountjoy Sheriff

State of Missouri
County of Lafayette

Be it Remembered That George M Mountjoy Sheriff of Lafayette County and state aforesaid, who is personally sworn to the undersigned, Probate Judge, within & for said County, to be the person whose name is subscribed, to the foregoing deed, as a party thereto this day appeared before me in April Court, and acknowledged that he executed and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed, for the uses and purposes therein contained

Witness my hand and the seal of our Court attached, this 16th day of January AD 1877.

Wm. T. Gammon
Probate Judge

Filed for Record, January 16th 1877 @ 5 pm

Jacob D Connor Recorder"

In her letter dated June 10, 1998, Dolores J. Davis enclosed family group sheets which stated that Julia Ann Greer was a daughter of Joseph Greer and Mary (Mitchell) Greer, was born about 1823 at Davidson County, Tennessee, married William Johnson on February 14, 1849, at Lafayette County, Missouri, and died after January 1877.

vi. John Greer And His Wife Elizabeth A. (____) Greer

John Greer was a son of Joseph Greer and Mary (Mitchell) Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3], Joseph[4])

In her letter dated March 27, 1997, Mrs. Dolores J. Davis enclosed a copy of the will of Joseph Greer dated June 19, 1855, and probated on March 10, 1874, at Lafayette County, Missouri, which listed John Greer as one of his children:

> "Know all men by these presents, that I Joseph Greer of the County of Lafayette in the State of Missouri being in ill health but of Sound Mind and in view of the uncertainty of this life do therefore make publish and declare this to be my last Will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me heretofore made and revoking especially the one made by me bearing date October 20th 1846 and attested by O H White & Danl. Ray.
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> First my will is that all my just debts be fully paid Second All the balance of my estate (after my debts are paid), of every kind and description real personal and mixed including my Slaves I give devise & bequeathe to my Wife Polly Greer for and during her natural life with full power to Sell & dispose of So much & Such parts thereof as she may think proper or find necessary for her own Convenience & Support and after her death the Whole of my estate So devised to my Said Wife for life, or whatever of the Same Shall then remain undisposed of I give & Will to be equally divided amongst all my Children named as follows to wit Emily Dickson, Martin Greer, George Greer, Barbara Ann Wiley, Julia A. Johnson, John Greer, Michel Greer, Francis M Greer, & Elizabeth Boatman giving to each the equal one ninth part forever lastly I hereby nominate and appoint my Wife Polly Greer to be the Executrix of this my last Will & testament In Witness whereof I hereto Set My hand and Seal the 19th day of June 1855
>
> Witnesses Joseph Greer
> C M Jacques
> John C Anderson
> L W Smallwood
>
> State of Missouri) In Vacation Lafayette County
> County of Lafayette) Probate Court = March 10, 1874
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> I John E Burden clerk of the Probate Court within and for said County having Examined the foregoing Instrument of writing purporting to be the last Will and testament of Joseph Greer deceased, and having taken reduced to writing and examined the testimony of Lewis W Smallwood one of the subscribing witnesses to said Instrument of writing who was first duly Sworn and Examined touching the Execution of said Instrument by said decedent, and having also had the testimony of G. M. Jacques the other Subscribing Witness to said Instrument taken and reduced to writing by Joseph C. Ransom a Justice of the Peace of the County of Jackson State of Missouri who was Commissioned by the Clerk of this Court to take the same, and which said Commission was returned to the Clerk of

this Court duly Executed by said Justice according to law - Do determine adjudge and declare the said Instrument of writing to be the last will and testament of Joseph Greer deceased and admit the same to record as such.

In testimony whereof I hereunto Set my hand and affix the seal of said Court at Office this the 16 day of March 1874.

John E. Burden Clerk"

In her letter dated June 10, 1998, Dolores J. Davis enclosed family group sheets which stated that John Greer was a son of Joseph Greer and Mary (Mitchell) Greer, was born about 1826 at Davidson County, Tennessee, married Eliza A. _____, died on August 30, 1864, and was buried at Dover, Lafayette County, Missouri.

vii. Michel Elizabeth (Greer) (Fox) Prickett, Her Husbands Francis Marion Fox And Milton Prickett, And Her Descendants

Michel Elizabeth (Greer) (Fox) Prickett was a daughter of Joseph Greer and Mary (Mitchell) Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3], Joseph[4])

In her letter dated March 27, 1997, Mrs. Dolores J. Davis enclosed a copy of the will of Joseph Greer dated June 19, 1855, and probated on March 10, 1874, at Lafayette County, Missouri, which listed Michel Greer as one of his children:

"Know all men by these presents, that I Joseph Greer of the County of Lafayette in the State of Missouri being in ill health but of Sound Mind and in view of the uncertainty of this life do therefore make publish and declare this to be my last Will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me heretofore made and revoking especially the one made by me bearing date October 20th 1846 and attested by O H White & Danl. Ray.

First my will is that all my just debts be fully paid Second All the balance of my estate (after my debts are paid), of every kind and description real personal and mixed including my Slaves I give devise & bequeathe to my Wife Polly Greer for and during her natural life with full power to Sell & dispose of So much & Such parts thereof as she may think proper or find necessary for her own Convenience & Support and after her death the Whole of my estate So devised to my Said Wife for life, or whatever of the Same Shall then remain undisposed of I give & Will to be equally divided amongst all my Children named as follows to wit Emily

Dickson, Martin Greer, George Greer, Barbara Ann Wiley, Julia A. Johnson, John Greer, Michel Greer, Francis M Greer, & Elizabeth Boatman giving to each the equal one ninth part forever lastly I hereby nominate and appoint my Wife Polly Greer to be the Executrix of this my last Will & testament In Witness whereof I hereto Set My hand and Seal the 19th day of June 1855

Witnesses Joseph Greer
C M Jacques
John C Anderson
L W Smallwood

State of Missouri) In Vacation Lafayette County
County of Lafayette) Probate Court = March 10, 1874

I John E Burden clerk of the Probate Court within and for said County having Examined the foregoing Instrument of writing purporting to be the last Will and testament of Joseph Greer deceased, and having taken reduced to writing and examined the testimony of Lewis W Smallwood one of the subscribing witnesses to said Instrument of writing who was first duly Sworn and Examined touching the Execution of said Instrument by said decedent, and having also had the testimony of G. M. Jacques the other Subscribing Witness to said Instrument taken and reduced to writing by Joseph C. Ransom a Justice of the Peace of the County of Jackson State of Missouri who was Commissioned by the Clerk of this Court to take the same, and which said Commission was returned to the Clerk of this Court duly Executed by said Justice according to law - Do determine adjudge and declare the said Instrument of writing to be the last will and testament of Joseph Greer deceased and admit the same to record as such.

In testimony whereof I hereunto Set my hand and affix the seal of said Court at Office this the 16 day of March 1874.

John E. Burden Clerk"

In her email dated September 3, 1999, Dolores J. Davis stated that the marriage record of Michall Elizabeth Grees and Francis Marion Fox was dated on February 15, 1857, at Lafayette County, Missouri.

In her email dated September 3, 1999, Dolores J. Davis stated that on May 2, 1859, Levi Fox was appointed administrator of the estate of Francis M. Fox.

In her email dated September 3, 1999, Dolores J. Davis stated that the 1860 Census for Lafayette County, Missouri, listed Michell Fox in the Joseph Grear

household and her age as 25 and born in Missouri and listed Mary Fox, age 3 and born in Missouri.

In her letter dated March 27, 1997, Mrs. Dolores J. Davis also enclosed a copy of a deed of sale of the real property of Joseph Greer which identified ____ Prickett as the husband of Michel E. Greer.

In her letter dated June 10, 1998, Dolores J. Davis enclosed family group sheets which stated that Michel Elizabeth Greer was a daughter of Joseph Greer and Mary (Mitchell) Greer, was born about 1827 probably at Tennessee, married Milton Prickett after 1855, and died after January 1877.

viii. Frances Missouri (Greer) Lay Or Lee, Her Husband Marion F. Lay Or Lee, And Her Descendants

Frances Missouri (Greer) Lay or Lee was a child of Joseph Greer and Mary (Mitchell) Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3], Joseph[4])

In her letter dated March 27, 1997, Mrs. Dolores J. Davis enclosed a copy of the will of Joseph Greer dated June 19, 1855, and probated on March 10, 1874, at Lafayette County, Missouri, which listed Francis M. Greer as one of his children:

> "Know all men by these presents, that I Joseph Greer of the County of Lafayette in the State of Missouri being in ill health but of Sound Mind and in view of the uncertainty of this life do therefore make publish and declare this to be my last Will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me heretofore made and revoking especially the one made by me bearing date October 20th 1846 and attested by O H White & Danl. Ray.
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> First my will is that all my just debts be fully paid Second All the balance of my estate (after my debts are paid), of every kind and description real personal and mixed including my Slaves I give devise & bequeathe to my Wife Polly Greer for and during her natural life with full power to Sell & dispose of So much & Such parts thereof as she may think proper or find necessary for her own Convenience & Support and after her death the Whole of my estate So devised to my Said Wife for life, or whatever of the Same Shall then remain undisposed of I give & Will to be equally divided amongst all my Children named as follows to wit Emily Dickson, Martin Greer, George Greer, Barbara Ann Wiley, Julia A. Johnson, John Greer, Michel Greer, Francis M Greer, & Elizabeth Boatman giving to each the equal one ninth part forever lastly I hereby nominate and appoint my Wife

Polly Greer to be the Executrix of this my last Will & testament In Witness whereof I hereto Set My hand and Seal the 19th day of June 1855

Witnesses
C M Jacques
John C Anderson
L W Smallwood

Joseph Greer

State of Missouri) In Vacation Lafayette County
County of Lafayette) Probate Court = March 10, 1874

I John E Burden clerk of the Probate Court within and for said County having Examined the foregoing Instrument of writing purporting to be the last Will and testament of Joseph Greer deceased, and having taken reduced to writing and examined the testimony of Lewis W Smallwood one of the subscribing witnesses to said Instrument of writing who was first duly Sworn and Examined touching the Execution of said Instrument by said decedent, and having also had the testimony of G. M. Jacques the other Subscribing Witness to said Instrument taken and reduced to writing by Joseph C. Ransom a Justice of the Peace of the County of Jackson State of Missouri who was Commissioned by the Clerk of this Court to take the same, and which said Commission was returned to the Clerk of this Court duly Executed by said Justice according to law - Do determine adjudge and declare the said Instrument of writing to be the last will and testament of Joseph Greer deceased and admit the same to record as such.

In testimony whereof I hereunto Set my hand and affix the seal of said Court at Office this the 16 day of March 1874.

John E. Burden Clerk"

In her email dated September 3, 1999, Dolores J. Davis stated that the 1860 Census for Lafayette County, Missouri, listed Marion Lee with the following household:

Name	Age	Sex	Occupation	Born
Marion Lee	28	M	Farmer	Ky
Frances Lee	19	F		Mo.
Susan Lee	2	F		Mo.
John Lee	10/12	M		Mo.

In her letter dated March 27, 1997, Mrs. Dolores J. Davis also enclosed a copy of a deed of sale of the real property of Joseph Greer which identified Marion Lay as the husband of Frances Missouri Greer.

In her letter dated June 10, 1998, Dolores J. Davis enclosed family group sheets which stated that Frances Missouri Greer was a daughter of Joseph Greer and Mary (Mitchell) Greer, was born about 1829 probably at Missouri, married Marion F. Lay after 1855, and died on March 3, 1884, at Lafayette County, Missouri.

ix. Elizabeth (Greer) Boatman And Her Husband Lafayette(?) Boatman

Elizabeth (Greer) Boatman was a daughter of Joseph Greer and Mary (Mitchell) Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3], Joseph[4])

In her letter dated March 27, 1997, Mrs. Dolores J. Davis enclosed a copy of the will of Joseph Greer dated June 19, 1855, and probated on March 10, 1874, at Lafayette County, Missouri, which listed Elizabeth (Greer) Boatman as one of his children:

> "Know all men by these presents, that I Joseph Greer of the County of Lafayette in the State of Missouri being in ill health but of Sound Mind and in view of the uncertainty of this life do therefore make publish and declare this to be my last Will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me heretofore made and revoking especially the one made by me bearing date October 20th 1846 and attested by O H White & Danl. Ray.
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> First my will is that all my just debts be fully paid Second All the balance of my estate (after my debts are paid), of every kind and description real personal and mixed including my Slaves I give devise & bequeathe to my Wife Polly Greer for and during her natural life with full power to Sell & dispose of So much & Such parts thereof as she may think proper or find necessary for her own Convenience & Support and after her death the Whole of my estate So devised to my Said Wife for life, or whatever of the Same Shall then remain undisposed of I give & Will to be equally divided amongst all my Children named as follows to wit Emily Dickson, Martin Greer, George Greer, Barbara Ann Wiley, Julia A. Johnson, John Greer, Michel Greer, Francis M Greer, & Elizabeth Boatman giving to each the equal one ninth part forever lastly I hereby nominate and appoint my Wife

Polly Greer to be the Executrix of this my last Will & testament In Witness whereof I hereto Set My hand and Seal the 19th day of June 1855

Witnesses
C M Jacques
John C Anderson
L W Smallwood

Joseph Greer

State of Missouri) In Vacation Lafayette County
County of Lafayette) Probate Court = March 10, 1874

I John E Burden clerk of the Probate Court within and for said County having Examined the foregoing Instrument of writing purporting to be the last Will and testament of Joseph Greer deceased, and having taken reduced to writing and examined the testimony of Lewis W Smallwood one of the subscribing witnesses to said Instrument of writing who was first duly Sworn and Examined touching the Execution of said Instrument by said decedent, and having also had the testimony of G. M. Jacques the other Subscribing Witness to said Instrument taken and reduced to writing by Joseph C. Ransom a Justice of the Peace of the County of Jackson State of Missouri who was Commissioned by the Clerk of this Court to take the same, and which said Commission was returned to the Clerk of this Court duly Executed by said Justice according to law - Do determine adjudge and declare the said Instrument of writing to be the last will and testament of Joseph Greer deceased and admit the same to record as such.

In testimony whereof I hereunto Set my hand and affix the seal of said Court at Office this the 16 day of March 1874.

John E. Burden Clerk"

In her letter dated June 10, 1998, Dolores J. Davis enclosed family group sheets which stated that Elizabeth Greer was a daughter of Joseph Greer and Mary (Mitchell) Greer, was born about 1830 probably at Missouri, married Lafayette (?) Boatman before 1855, and died before 1875.

c. Benjamin Greer And His Wife Margaret (Donnelly) Greer

Benjamin Greer was a son of Mary (Wright) Greer and Martin Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3])

The will of Martin Greer dated March 11, 1822, and probated in July 1822 at Davidson County, Tennessee, W.B. 8/123 listed Benjamin Greer as his son:

". . . . Item 3 I give and bequeath unto my beloved son Benjamin Greer one horse and saddle feather bed and furniture, one cow and calf, two ewes and lambs being the property already delivered him after marriage . . . ."

On February 7, 1825, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 19/142 "Greenberry Greer, attorney in fact for Mary Greer, Joseph Greer and Benjamin Greer Executors and executrix of Martin Greer Deceased of Davison County and state of Tennessee" sold to Joseph Wright of Franklin County, Virginia:

"This Indenture made this 7th day of Febuary 1825, between Greenbury Greer attorney in fact for Mary Greer Joseph Greer and Benjamin Greer Executors and executrix of Martin Greer Deceased of Davison County and state of Tennessee of the one part, of Joseph Wright of Franklin County and state of Virginia of the other part Witness, that the said Greenbury Greer attorney in fact for and in consideration of the sum of two hundred dollars to him in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath granted bargained, and sold, and by these presents doth grant, bargain and sell unto him the said Joseph Greer one certain tract or parcel of land in Bedford County on Stanton river containing fifty acres it being the land allotted to Mary Greer the wife of Martin Greer Deceased out of the estate of Joseph Wright Dec. by commissioners appointed by the County Court of Bedford and returned by them to the said Court the courses of the said land may be had by reference thereto. Together with all and singular the appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining. To have and to hold the said bargained land and premises unto him the said Joseph Wright his heirs and assigns forever, and he the said Greenbury Greer attorney &c doth warrant and forever defend a good and lawful right and title in fee simple the said land unto him the said Joseph Wright and his heirs and &c

In Witness whereof the said Greenbury Greer attorney for Mary Greer Joseph Greer & Benjamin Greer Executors of Martin Greer Decd. hath hereunto set his hand and seal the date above written.

Green B. Greer

Franklin County Sct, We Robert Woods and Moses Greer Jr. Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Green B. Greer a party to a certain deed bearing date on the 7th day of Febuary 1825 & hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid & acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and desired us to certify the said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Bedford in order that the

said deed may be recorded. Given under our hands and seals this 7th day of Febuary 1825

Robert Woods
Moses Greer Jr.

At a Court held for Bedford County at the Courthouse the 28th day of March 1825. This Indenture of bargain and sale was Certified by two Justices of the peace for Franklin County and ordered to be recorded.

Teste
Jas Steptoe C.B.C"

An identical deed was filed in Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 11/112:

"This Indenture made this seventh day of February one thousand eight hundred & twenty five between Greenberry Greer attorney in fact for Marey Greer, Joseph Greer & Benjamin Greer Executors of Martin Greer Deceasd of the County of Davidson & State of Tennessee of the one part & John Wright Senr of the County of Franklin & state of Verginia of the other part Witnesseth that the said Greenbury Greer for and in Consideration of the Sum of Sixty Dollars to him in hand paid the receipt whereof he doth hereby acknowledge have granted bargained and sold and by these presents do grant bargain & sell & confirm unto the said Joseph Wright his heirs and assigns forever one Certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in the County of Franklin containing fifteen acres be the same more or less it being the land allotted to Mary Greer the wife of Martin Greer Decd by Commissioners appointed by the County Court of Bedford to divid the lands of Joseph Wright decd between the heirs of the Said Wright and returned to the said Court by the Commissioners aforesaid the Corses of the said land may be had by Reference thereto together with all and Singular the right title & interest thereunto aperataining or in any wise belonging or apertaining to have and to hold the said land and bargained premises unto him the Said Joseph Wright forever & he the said Greenberry Greer attorney &c doth warrant and forever defend good and lawful right and title in fee simple to the said land unto him the said Joseph Wright and his heirs &c In testimony whereof the said Greenberry Greer attorney for Mary Greer, Joseph Greer, & Benjamin Greer Executors of Martin Greer deceased hath set his hand & seal the day above Written

Green B Greer

At a Court held for Fraklin County at the Courthouse on the 7" day of February 1825

This Indenture of bargain and Sale between Green B Greer attorney on fact for Mary Greer, Joseph Greer and Benjamin Greer executor of Martin Greer decd of the one part and Joseph Wright of the other part was acknowledged by the said Green B Greer and Ordered to be Recorded

Teste
Caleb Tate, c.f.c."

In her letter dated January 17, 1989, Ms. Iris N. Garner enclosed family group sheets which stated that Benjamin Greer was born about 1790, married Margaret Donnelly on May 5, 1813, at Davidson County, Tennessee, and died on December 9, 1837, at Davidson County, Tennessee.

In her letter dated March 27, 1997, Mrs. Dolores J. Davis enclosed family group sheets which stated that Benjamin Greer was a son of Mary (Wright) Greer and Martin Greer, was born in March 1794 at Franklin County, Virginia, and married Margaret Donnelly on May 5, 1813.

d. Elizabeth P. (Greer) Burton And Her Husband George A. Burton

Elizabeth P. (Greer) Burton was a daughter of Mary (Wright) Greer and Martin Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3])

The will of Martin Greer dated March 11, 1822, and probated in July 1822 at Davidson County, Tennessee, W.B. 8/123 listed Elizabeth Greer as his daughter:

. . . . Item 6th I give & bequeath unto my beloved daughter Elizabeth Greer one horse which she has received and also one feather bed and furniture, one cow and calf and two ewes and lambs . . . ."

In her letter dated January 17, 1989, Ms. Iris N. Garner enclosed family group sheets which stated that Elizabeth P. Greer was born between 1794 and 1804 and married George A. Burton on August 4, 1825, at Davidson County, Tennessee.

In her letter dated March 27, 1997, Mrs. Dolores J. Davis enclosed family group sheets which stated that Elizabeth P. Greer was a daughter of Mary (Wright) Greer and

Martin Greer, was born between 1794 and 1804 at Davidson County, Tennessee, and married George Burton on August 4, 1825, at Davidson County, Tennessee.

e. James W. Greer, His Wife Michael Elizabeth (Brown) Greer, And His Descendants

James W. Greer was a son of Mary (Wright) Greer and Martin Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3])

The will of Martin Greer dated March 11, 1822, and probated in July 1822 at Davidson County, Tennessee, W.B. 8/123 listed James W. Greer as his son:

> ". . . . Item 7 I give and bequeath unto my beloved son James W. Greer one horse and saddle one feather bed and furniture, one cow and calf, two ewes and lambs . . . ."

In her letter dated June 10, 1998, Dolores J. Davis enclosed a copy of the 1850 Census for Lafayette County, Missouri, which listed James W. Wright with the following household and the household of his son George Greer immediately adjacent:

Household 1227

James W. Grier	45	M	Tenn.		5000
Michel Grier	43	F	Tenn.		

Household 1228

George Grier	23	M	Tenn.	Gold Hunter
Green B. Grier	20	M	Tenn.	
Benjamin Grier	15	M	Mo.	
Joseph Grier	12	M	Mo.	
Thomas Grier	10	M	Mo.	
John J. Grier	8	M	Mo.	
James Grier	3	M	Mo.	
James Woodall	22	M	Va.	

In her letter dated January 17, 1989, Ms. Iris N. Garner enclosed family group sheets that stated that James W. Greer was born in 1802 at Davidson County, Tennessee, married Michael Brown, and resided in Williamson County, Tennessee.

In her letter dated March 12, 1989, Mrs. Iris Ash Garner enclosed family group sheets which stated that James W. Greer was born in 1802 at Davidson County,

Tennessee, married Michael Elizabeth Brown on July 16, 1826, at William County, Tennessee, resided in 1850 in Lafayette County, Missouri, and died in 1863 in northwestern Arkansas, and was buried at Edmiston Cemetery, northeast of Morriltown, that Michael Elizabeth (Brown) Greer was born in about 1807 in Tennessee, and that they had the following children:

1) George Greer, born about 1827 at Tennessee.
2) James Greer, born about 1828 at Virginia,
3) Green B. Greer, born about 1830 in Tennessee,
4) Benjamin Greer, born about 1835 in Missouri,
5) Joseph Greer, born about 1838 in Missouri,
6) Thomas Greer, born about 1840 in Missouri,
7) John J. Greer, born about 1842 in Missouri, and
8) James Woodall Greer, born about 1847 in Missouri.

In her letter dated August 19, 1989, Mrs. Iris Garner enclosed a copy of a report of Thomas B. Wright, as the administrator of the estate of James W. Wright, and an order dated April 22, 1867, and filed in Probate Book D, Washington County, Arkansas:

"April 22, 1867
State of Arkansas)
County of Washington)

I, Thomas B. Greer as the Admr. of the Estate of James W. Greer deceased do solemnly swear that I am not the purchaser of the lands and tenements refered to in the foregoing Report or any part thereof and that they were not purchased for my use and that I am not in any manner interested in the purchase thereof, or in any part thereof.

Thomas B. Greer

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 22nd April 1867.

F. R. Smith Clerk

It is therefor Considered and ordered by the court that said report be and the same is hereby confirmed and in all things approved by the Court and ordered to

be made a part of the record in this cause and that deed be made in accordance with said sale &c."

In that same letter Mrs. Garner enclosed a copy of Reminiscenses Of Early Days In Washington County by Ben F. Greer which stated as follows:

". . . . My grandmother Greer's maiden name was Michael Elizabeth Brown. Her ancestors were of Dutch descent and her father's family came to Penn's Colony which became Pennsylvania. After the Revolutionary War her father emigrated from Pennsylvania to Williamson County, Tennessee, about the same time that great-grandfather Greer settled in Davidson County. My grandmother Greer was born in 1803. In 1821 she and my grandfather married and emigrated to Missouri, settling east of Kansas City in LaFayette County, Mo., near Lexington and Warrensburg. One of grandfather's brothers, Joseph Greer, emigrated to Ray County, Mo., near the town of Dover. This was at that time sparsely settled. Grandfather Greer's nearest neighbor was three miles; the next was five miles. This is a very rich blue-grass country and grandfather entered a thousand acres of this fine land. There was an abundance of wild game and at one time grandfather shipped several hundred pounds of deer hams, commonly called Venison, and at the same time several hundred pounds of honey made by wild bees. He and a neighbor made a flat boat on the Missouri River and took their produce by boat to New Orleans where they trans-shipped their meat and honey to New York, sold it, and invested the proceeds in farm implements and other necessities and shipped back to Missouri.

I remember some stories my father used to tell about grandfather's hunting exploits. One time he was out hunting deer and shot and wounded a large buck deer. The deer fell at the crack of his rifle and he ran up to cut its throat so it would bleed good. When he took hold of the deer's horns to turn its throat, the deer struggled to its feet and knocked his hunting knife out of his hand. He knew he had to hold to the deer's horns so it could not stamp him to death. His clothing was buckskin but in the struggles it fairly cut his hunting clothes to ribbons. He struggled till finally he got hold of his rifle and got behind a large hawthorn bush. The deer chased him around and around. Reloading his gun and shooting it again and again he fired 24 balls into it before it was finally killed. He said he never ran in to cut another deer's throat till he knew it was safe to do so.

Another time he and a neighbor were out on a hunt and had for some reason been unable to kill anything except some coons and all the meat they had in camp was coon meat. So this day they had better luck and grandfather shot and wounded a large deer. The neighbor ran in to cut its throat and had dropped his knife and was hollering "Run, Greer, run; we haven't anything but coon meat in

camp." Grandfather got so tickled that he couldn't hurry as fast as the neighbor kept yelling, "Run, Greer, run; we've nothing but coon meat in camp", but he finally got in and between them they finished their game with his hunting knife.

Another story was about someone stealing corn from his crib, which was built of logs. He suspected a neighbor, so one evening the neighbor was there and grandfather got the neighbor to help him set a steel trap inside at the crack they had been taking corn out of. But when the neighbor had gone he moved the trap to another place they could reach into and get corn. Next morning the neighbor was standing at the corn crib with his hand in the crack. Grandfather never let on that he had seen him and began feeding his stock. Finally the man hollered and asked grandfather to let him loose, which he did. He made the man go to the house where he dressed his hand and made him stay for breakfast and filled a sack with corn and told him that he would let him have all the corn he needed and let him work to pay for it and told his neighbor if he would never do that again he would never tell of the incident to his neighbors. The man agreed, so they both lived up to the agreement and the man was never again known to steal.

Another time grandfather started to the county seat on some business. As he was passing a house he heard a woman screaming and calling for help, so he jumped off his horse and dropped the bridle rein over a post and ran into the house. A man had a woman down and was choking and beating her, so Granddad took hold of him and pulled him off the woman. The fellow turned on him and he had to fight him off. The woman jumped up and got the stove shovel and began to hit Granddad with it and between the two he saw he was in for it, so he made a break, got out of the house and escaped. So he said he never tried to pull another man off when he was beating his wife. He just didn't butt in.

In 1849 when gold was discovered in California, Grandfather's oldest son and the two boys next to him went to California with Bullard's wagon train. Bullard took a stock of goods from Kansas City, hauled with wagons pulled by four and six-mule teams. Uncle George, my father's oldest brother, was married. He took his own wagon and team and wife and children. The other two boys hired to Bullard as teamsters.

In 1854 grandfather sold his land, 1,000 acres of as fine land as I ever saw, for $8 per acre. He intended to go to California when he sold out. But about this time some of those who went out in the Gold Rush began to return. Some had done well and saved a lot of money while some came back poorer than when they went. But all agreed that crossing the desert was an awful hardship and many had died, not able to stand the hardships. Then they had some fearful stories about having to fight the Indians, so my grandmother Greer began to beg

grandfather not to go to California and suggested that they go to Texas instead. So they started to Texas.

They got down to what is now Evansville Valley in Washington County (Arkansas) and camped for a day or two to rest themselves and their teams. Grandfather liked the valley, so they bought several hundred acres of land and a store and stock of goods north of Evansville at what was then called Wilsonville.

George Greer, my father's oldest brother, died in California and was buried at a place called Santa Rosa. So the other boys brought his widow and children (two boys and two girls) back to Missouri near grandfather's old home in Lafayette County.

Grandfather and his boys prospered and did well until the Civil War broke out. Grandfather's land was scattered up and down the Arkansas and Indian Territory line and you could stand in front of his store and throw a rock across the line into what was then the Indian Territory. The Cherokee Indians were divided, most of the full-bloods and practically all the mixed-bloods went with the Confederacy and enlisted under Gen. Stand Watie. The full-bloods, called the Pin Indians, robbed, murdered and pillaged the Southern sympathizers and often robbed and sometimes killed those who were on the Northern side.

The Pin Indians accompanied by some renegades raided up and down the line every few weeks. On one of these raids they murdered my grandfather Greer and scalped him. He was barely able to ride a horse, as he was just recovering from a spell of typhoid fever. My father, a 16-year-old boy, was with his father, who told him to get away if he could, and he escaped, as he had a very fleet running horse. The women of the community went and got his body away in the night. There was no one to go but the women, as all the men and boys old enough to help were either in the army or had to refugee to Texas. The women had to bury their dead. There were nine boys in grandpa Greer's family and one girl. One of the boys and the daughter died in their infancy.

Five of father's brothers were in the Confederate army, besides himself. Four of them died of disease and exposure, so at the close of the war only he and one brother and my grandmother were left of their large family. My father was only 14 years old when the war began, and after grandfather's death there were just two alternatives left him -- either join the army or refugee to Texas, so when a little past 16 years of age he enlisted in Gen. Stand Watie's command. He never participated in any battles but was in several skirmishes. Once his company came to Fayetteville in an attempt to oust the Federal forces here.

He was in the cavalry and in the detail to guard their battery of artillery. He said he was scared and that it was all he could do to keep from running when the Federal forces attacked the Confederate battery of artillery. His company was lying on the ground in front of the battery and he said he could hardly keep from running. But after the fight started, he wasn't scared any more and they repulsed the attack on their battery. The battery then withdrew and marched south.

. . . .

My father married Grandfather's youngest daughter in September 1866 and to them were born two sons, Benjamin Finis, named for one of father's brothers and one of mother's brothers, born July 30, 1867; Walter A, born February 29, 1872; Ida Lee, born September 8, 1869; Clara M., born November 27, 1875; Edna E., August 22, 1877; Mary Leona born March 21, 1879; Florence J., born April 3, 1885. My sister Ida married Robert B. Worsham August 21, 1887; died without issue May 25, 1888. I married Lulu B. Flinn on March 10, 1889. To us were born five boys and two daughters. Sister May and James H. Neff were married November 30, 1893; to them were born three daughters and five sons. Of the girls, Irene, the oldest, married Hooper who died and she remarried. Clara married a Mr. Jones. They live near Fort Smith. Betty, the youngest, who lives at Houston, married and has two children.

Joe, the oldest son, lives near Stilwell, Okla. George and Greer, the next two sons, live in Colorado. Wendle lives in New Jersey. The single son lives with his mother and sister Irene in California at Los Angeles. Sister Leona married twice. Her first husband was named A. C. Baird. They had one daughter, Fannie J., living at Seville, Florida, married to W. B. McBride. A. C. Baird was killed in an auto accident in 1924. Later, Leona married a Mr. Joe McLenan. She and her last husband are both dead. My sister Edna married Ben C. Barham in 1899. They have two sons, William K. and Gordon, both married and each has two daughters. Ben, who was a railroad man, is retired, and they and their sons and grandchildren all live near each other. Kenneth is on the police force and Gordon a mail handler at Union Station.

Sister Florence first married a man named McGuire by whom she had a son named William J. She and McGuire were divorced and Florence was given custody of Billie who took the name of her second husband, Joe London. Billie is married, has a fine girl and boy, and lives in Kansas City where he has a position with the Southwest Bell Telephone Company.

. . . .

Back to earlier days. As a boy I was the oldest child in our family. My father was born in 1846. Slavery was in vogue. When he was 15, the Civil War broke out. He was the youngest of eight brothers and had never been trained to do any kind

of work. He worked when he wanted to and played when he wished. So when his father was killed during the war and all his brothers but one died. When the Civil War ended he was 19 years old and when he came home from the army he had one horse.

The farm which had not been worked much for five years had grown up and it was almost starting all over again. He was greatly handicapped for he had little or no training. He had never learned to do many of the simple jobs of work done on the farm. He couldn't use a grain scythe, the implement used to harvest most of their grain. He had never learned to sow grain broadcast by hand. So he told me he wanted me to learn to do every job there was to do on the farm. So early he had a single stock plow built for me. At that time even a double shovel was unknown. When I learned to plow with a single stock we ran five furrows to each middle, so five or ten acres was a pretty big corn field. The wheat and oats were harvested by hand with a scything cradle. He couldn't cradle, so he had me learn to use one. Then the double shovel came into use. He bought one and had one cut down to fit my size. Then when cultivators came in, he bought one and I learned to use it too. Then he bought a mower to cut our meadow, then a reaper. They called it a dropper -- gave four men plenty to do to bind the grain as fast as he could cut it. Then the next was a binder. He didn't milk but always said that milking was a man's job. So as soon as I got large enough to tie and pull the calves off, it was my job to go with my mother to care for the cows and calves.

He was a progressive man and as a farmer he always held to the idea of building up the soil, by rotation of crops, growing legumes, and plowing all the residues he could into the soil. So when he died in December 1887, he left our land in better shape than it was when he took charge of it after the Civil War. He farmed from necessity. It was all he had had experience in doing. The war deprived him of an education. He was 14 when the war closed the schools and 19 when it ended and left them impoverished and without education or helpful experience. He wanted me to have an education so I would not have to slave (as he called it) on the farm.

When he was so suddenly taken from us in 1887, I was 20 years of age and poorly equipped to step out into the lead. My father and mother were both very liberal spenders and poor savers, so I had not learned the necessity for saving, as I had already passed the formative period of life. I have always felt that handicap and passed my failure on to my children, failing to impress upon them the value of time and money.

But my parents were Godly-minded and early they began to instill a love of the Master and service to Him and to my fellowman. My parents, since my earliest

recollection, by both precept and example trained us to regard our duty to God and to our fellowman, so I owe much to them. For years after the Civil War we had poor school facilities. The average school term was three months. My father was an inveterate reader and instilled in me a love for reading good books and magazines, so by persevering habits of reading I have acquired a reasonably fair education which has helped me to be a better citizen and able to be of service to my country.

My father was always in the front in service to the community. In Sunday School, church, singing schools and regular day schools, he was always a leader in everything for the betterment of the community. His service was always given freely, without reservation and without any thought of remuneration. Many times in addition to his personal services he gave of his means without any thought on his part of over receiving any personal benefits. Many times his service rendered to the community meant considerable loss to him but I never heard him complain and he never failed or refused a service asked of him, no matter how much it inconvenienced him. It is with no little degree of pride that I look back to these services and sacrifices he made for the community good.
. . . ."

In her letter dated March 27, 1997, Mrs. Dolores J. Davis enclosed family group sheets which stated that James W. Greer was a son of Mary (Wright) Greer and Martin Greer, was born in 1802 at Davidson County, Tennessee, and married Michael E. Brown on July 26, 1826, and died in 1863 at possibly Johnson County, Missouri.

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below the children of James W. Greer and Michael Elizabeth (Brown) Greer were the following:

1) George Greer, born about 1827 at Tennessee or near Warrensburg, Missouri,

2) James Greer, born about 1828 at Virginia,

3) Green B. Greer, born about 1830 at Tennessee,

4) Benjamin Greer, born about 1835 at Missouri,

5) Joseph Greer, born about 1838 at Missouri,

6) Thomas Greer, born on December 4, 1839, at Lafayette County, Missouri,

7) John J. Greer, born about 1842 at Missouri, and

8) James Woodall Greer, born about 1847 at Virginia.

i. George Greer, His Wives Mary (Adams) Greer And _____(____) Greer, And His Descendants

George Greer was a son of James W. Greer and Mary (Adams) Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3], James[4])

In her letter dated March 12, 1989, Mrs. Iris Ash Garner enclosed family group sheets which stated that George Greer was a son of James W. Greer and Michael Elizabeth (Brown) Greer, was born about 1827 in Tennessee or near Warrensburg, Missouri, resided in 1850 at Lafayette County, Missouri, married Mary (Adams) Greer, and died in 1853 or 1854 (?) in Santa Rosa, California, and that George Greer and Mary (Adams) Greer had the following children:

1) Green Greer,
2) William Joseph Greer, born on July 6, 1857, at Santa Rosa, California,
3) Lizzie Greer, and
4) Lou Greer.

ii. James W. Greer, His Wife Mary (Shannon) Greer, And His Descendants

James W. Greer was a son of James W. Greer and Michael Elizabeth (Brown) Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3], James[4])

In her letter dated March 12, 1989, Mrs. Iris Ash Garner enclosed family group sheets which stated that James Greer was a son of James W. Greer and Michael Elizabeth (Brown) Greer, was born about 1828 in Virginia, and resided in 1850 at Lafayette County, Missouri.

iii. Green B. Greer

Green B. Greer was a son of James W. Greer and Mary (Adams) Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3], James[4])

In her letter dated March 12, 1989, Mrs. Iris Ash Garner enclosed family group sheets which stated that Green B. Greer was a son of James W. Greer and Michael Elizabeth (Brown) Greer, was born about 1830 in Tennessee, and resided in 1850 at Lafayette County, Missouri.

iv. Benjamin Greer

Benjamin Greer was a son of James W. Greer and Mary (Adams) Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3], James[4])

In her letter dated March 12, 1989, Mrs. Iris Ash Garner enclosed family group sheets which stated that Benjamin Greer was a son of James W. Greer and Michael Elizabeth (Brown) Greer, was born about 1835 in Missouri and resided in 1850 in Lafayette County, Missouri.

v. Joseph Greer

Joseph Greer was a son of James W. Greer and Mary (Adams) Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3], James[4])

In her letter dated March 12, 1989, Mrs. Iris Ash Garner enclosed family group sheets which stated that Joseph Greer was a son of James W. Greer and Michael Elizabeth (Brown) Greer, was born about 1838 in Missouri, and resided in 1850 at Lafayette County, Missouri.

vi. Thomas Brown Greer, His Wife Mahala "Hadie" E. (Denton) Greer, And His Descendants

Thomas Brown Greer was a son of James W. Greer and Mary (Adams) Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3], James[4])

In her letter dated March 12, 1989, Mrs. Iris Ash Garner enclosed family group sheets which stated that Thomas Greer was a son of James W. Greer and Michael Elizabeth (Brown) Greer, was born about 1840 in Missouri, and resided in 1850 at Lafayette County, Missouri.

In her letter dated August 19, 1989, Mrs. Iris Garner enclosed a copy of the following biography of Thomas Brown Greer:

> "Thomas B. Greer, a prominent merchant of Greersburg, Ark. was born in Lafayette County, MO, December 4, 1839, and is one of ten children born to James W. amd Michel E. (Brown) Greer. The father was a native of Davidson County, Tenn., and the mother of Williamson County of the same State where they were married. They moved to Lafayette, County MO in 1821 and here the father engaged quite extensively in farming. In 1854, they moved to Washington County, and engaged in merchandising in connection with farming, which he

continued until 1863, when he was killed by the Pin Indians. He was fifty-eight years of age at the time of his death; was a Democrat in politics, and he and wife were members of the Missionary Baptist Church. The mother died at the age of seventy-seven years. Of their large family of children, seven sons lived to be grown, but the only one living is Thomas B Greer. He was educated in the common schools, also attended one term at Cane Hill and assisted his father on the farm until sixteen years of age, when he began clerking for his father. Four years later he became possessor of half of the stock but lost it all during the war.

Previous to this in 1859, he married Miss Mahala E. Denton, a native of Bradley County, Tenn., and six children were the result of this union. In the spring of 1862 Mr. Greer enlisted in Company 1, Second Cherokee Regiment, Confederal Army, served throughout the war was taken prisoner at Boston Mountain in November, 1862, and remained as such for five weeks, when he was exchanged. After the war he farmed until 1870 when he laid off Greersburg, built a store, and the following year began merchandising which he has since continued, and has a large stock. Besides this he is interested in farming, and is the owner of 180 acres of land. He is a Democrat in politics, has been notary public for fifteen years, and was appointed postmaster of Tolu in 1887. He has been a Master Mason since 1869 and he and his wife are member of the Missionary Baptist Church. Mr. Greer contributes liberally to all worthy enterprises, and has been successful as a business man. He was nominated by the Democratic party on the 18th of August as one of the three to be elected to represent his county in the Lower House of the General Assembly, and was elected on the 3rd of September, 1888 to that position for two years, running ahead of the ticket.

From the Biographical Appendix, page 947 of the book "Washington County""

In that same letter Mrs. Garner also enclosed a copy of the marriage record for Thomas B. Greer and M. E. Denton which provided as follows:

"This is to certify that I Thos R Van Horne a regularly ordained minister of the Missionary Baptis Denomination solemized the rite of marriage on the 34d of Nove 1859 between Thos B Greer aged 20 years and M. E. Denton aged 18 years both residents of Washington County Arkansas

Thos B Van Horne

Filed and record on the 10th day of March 1860

P R Smith Clerk
and Ex officio Recorder"

In that same letter Mrs. Garner also enclosed family group sheets which stated that Thomas Brown Greer was born on December 4, 1839, at Missouri, and married Mahala E. Denton on November 3, 1859, that Mahala E. (Denton) Greer was born in 1841 at Bradley County, Tennessee, and that they had the following children:

1) Florence B. (Greer) Grant, born in 1860,
2) George Green Greer, born on January 3, 1867,
3) Effie (Greer) Henderson, born in 1869,
4) Nora Greer, born in 1872,
5) John Greer, born in 1875,
6) Ina Clyde (Greer) Cohea, born on July 21, 1880, and
7) Callie Greer, born in 1884 and died in 1887.

The family group sheets also stated that Thomas Brown Greer died in 1909 and that Mahala E. (Denton) Greer died in 1907 at Mena, Arkansas.

vii. <u>John J. Greer</u>

John J. Greer was a son of James W. Greer and Mary (Adams) Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3], James[4])

In her letter dated March 12, 1989, Mrs. Iris Ash Garner enclosed family group sheets which stated that John J. Greer was a son of James W. Greer and Michael Elizabeth (Brown) Greer, was born about 1842 in Missouri, and resided in 1850 at Lafayette County, Missouri.

viii. <u>James Woodall Greer, His Wife Mary (Shannon) Greer, And His Descendants</u>

James Woodall Greer was a son of James W. Greer and Mary (Adams) Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3], James[4])

In her letter dated August 19, 1989, Mrs. Iris Garner enclosed a copy of an order dated 1860 and filed in Probate Book D, pages 99 to 100, Washington County, Arkansas, appointing James W. Greer the guardian for Joseph Greer and William Greer:

"On motion and petition filed

It is ordered by the Court that James W Greer be and he is appointed Guardian of the person and property of Joseph Greer a minor under the age of twenty one years and thereupon the said James W Greer filed bond to said minor in the sum of $1000 with G J Denton and Eli Kelly as his securities which said bond and Security are approved by the Court and considered good and thereupon the said James W Greer took upon himself said Guardianship.

On motion and petition filed

It is ordered by the court that James W Greer be and he is appointed guardian of the person and property of William Greer a minor under the age of twenty one years and thereupon the said James W Greer filed bond to said minor in the sum of $1000 with G J Denton and Eli Kelly as his securities which bond and security are approved by the Court and Considered good and said James W Greer took upon himself said Guardianship."

In that same letter Mrs. Garner enclosed a copy of the will of James Woodall Greer which was dated November 30, 1887, probated in December 1887 at Washington County, Arkansas, W.B. _/185, and provided as follows:

"In the name of God Amen I James W. Greer of Washington County State of Arkansas being Sound in mind make this my last will and testament

1st I will to my wife Mary E Greer all of my household property my wagon and farming tools Two mares, her choice Sixty bushels of wheat twelve pork hogs and four hundred bushels of corn, and two cows her choice Also during her natural life I give her my farm which after her decease is to be divided equally between our children B. F Greer Ida L. Worsham Walter A Greer May Belle Greer Edna Greer Leona Greer and Florence Jimmie Greer. My other personal Effects I wish sold and the proceeds applied to the paying of my just debts and should there not be sufficient to pay all of my debts I wish the personal property herein willed to my wife sold or a sufficiency of the same to pay off all of my debts. She making the selection for that purpose. My burial I leave to my friends. I constitute and appoint J B Greer to execute and carry out this will and direct that my wife be placed in possession of the farm and property here willed soon as practicable, and then the executor of this will enter upon his duties at once and wind up my estate soon as possible without loss or extra cost to the estate and should there be anything remaining after paying my debts and the

expenses of administration I will and bequeath the same to my wife Mary E. Greer for herself. Signed and sealed this 30th day of November AD 1887.

his
James X Greer
mark

We certify that the above will was Executed by the testator in our presence and in the presents of each other on this 30th day of November AD 1887

B F Denton
J W Grant

In the Probate Court of Washington County at the December term 1887. Statements and proof taken in open Court touching the execution of the last will and testament of James W. Greer as follows, to wit: Benjamin F Denton after being sworn on his oath says: I am one of the attesting witnesses to the last will of James W Greer deceased, which is hereto annexed that said paper purporting to be such will was signed at his request by J B Greer he attesting with his mark by the said James W. Greer in my presence. That at the time of signing the same he declared it to be his last will and testament that at the time he so signed and declared T C. Worsham was also present and by the request of the said James W Greer and in his presence I subscribed my name as attesting witness. J W Grant was also present and at the request of James W. Greer now dead he signed the same as attesting witness in my presence. That the said James W. Greer at the time of such signing was over the age of twenty one years That he was of sound and disposing mind. That I was present and saw James W. Grant sign his name to said paper herto annexed purporting to be the last will of the said James W. Greer as attesting witness thereto I also state that the said Jas W Grant is now absent from the state of Arkansas and is in the Indian Territory.

B. F Denton

Sworn to and Subscribed in open Court Dec. 13 1887

H P. Greer Pro Judge

T C Worsham also Came and after being duly Sworn on his Oath says I was present when the paper hereto attached purporting to be the will of Jas W. Greer decd was read to him. He declared it to be his last will and requested his brother to sign it for him he attesting the same by making his mark. I was present and heard him request B. F Denton and J W. Grant to sign the same as witnesses and saw them sign the same Mr J W. Grant is now absent from the State of

Arkansas in the Cherokee nation. James W. Greer at the time was of Sound and disposing mind.

J. C. Worsham

Sworn to and Subscribed before me in open Court this the 13th Day of Dec. 1887

H P. Greer. Pro. Judge"

In her letter dated March 12, 1989, Mrs. Iris Ash Garner enclosed family group sheets which stated that James Greer was a son of James W. Greer and Michael Elizabeth (Brown) Greer, was born about 1847 in Missouri, and resided in 1850 at Lafayette County, Missouri, married Mary Shannon, and that James W. Greer and Mary (Shannon) Greer had the following child:

1) Ben Harrison Greer, born on July 30, 1867.

In her letter dated August 19, 1989, Mrs. Garner enclosed family group sheets which stated that James Woodall Greer was born before September 8, 1847, and married Mary E. Shannon on September 8, 1866, that Mary E. (Shannon) Greer was born in 1848, and that they had the following children:

1) Benjamin Finis Greer, born on July 30, 1867,
2) Ida Lee (Greer) Worsham, born on September 8, 1869,
3) Walter A. Greer, born on February 29, 1872,
4) Clara May Belle (Greer) Neff, born on November 27, 1875,
5) Edna E. Greer born in 1877,
6) Mary Leona (Greer) (Baird) McLenna, born on March 21, 1879, and
7) Florence J. (Greer) (McGuire) London, born on April 3, 1885.

f. <u>William A. Or H. Or Henry Greer And His Wife Ann (Jones) Greer</u>

William A. Or H. or Henry Greer was a son of Mary (Wright) Greer and Martin Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3])

The will of Martin Greer dated March 11, 1822, and probated in July 1822 at Davidson County, Tennessee, W.B. 8/123 listed William H. Greer as his son:

". . . . I give and bequeath unto my beloved son William H. Greer one horse _____: one feather bed and furniture, one cow and calf, two ewes and lambs . . . ."

In her letter dated January 17, 1989, Ms. Iris N. Garner enclosed family group sheets which stated that William A. Greer was born in 1805 in Davidson County, Tennessee, married Ann Jones on January 8, 1827, at Davidson County, Tennessee, and died after 1864 in California, probably in Sonoma County.

In her letter dated February 11, 1989, Mrs. Iris N. Garner enclosed two newspaper extracts regarding William A. Greer:

"The Daily Silver Age
Carson City, Nevada
2 October 1862

On Saturday evening, William A. Grear and his wife Anna, with three grown daughters, arrived and located permanently in this place. They are from Richardson county, Nebraska, which place they left on the 12th of May. A young man named Stephen Hillburn came through with Mr. Grear. Also, his two sons-in-law, Isreal Aroman(?), wife and two children, and Samuel H. Pugh, wife and five children. One of his sons-in-law, Mr. Pugh, we believe, proceeded on to California, but the old gentleman and lady, with the children and their other son-in-law, will remain and try their fortunes in Nevada this winter. Mr. Grear will start a couple of teams to hauling in a few days, with success, we hope. While on the plains, and at Sage Creek, some half-way between this place and the Missouri River, Mr. Grear came upon the grave of an emigrant who had been murdered by the Sioux Indians. The grave was being guarded by a beautiful black spaniel dog, who had remained on the ground where his master was buried for twelve days, endevering to dig down to him. In some places he had dug holes nearly two feet deep, and was unwilling that any one should approach the grave. With much difficulty, Mr. Grear secured the faithful little fellow and brought him in.

The Territorial Enterprise
Carson City, Nevada
13 June 1878

Died: In Carson, June 11, Mrs. Ann Greer, aged 72 years and 6 months"

In her letter dated February 11, 1989, Mrs. Garner also enclosed family group sheets which stated that William A. Greer and Ann (Jones) Greer had the following children:

1) Maryann (Greer) Pugh, born September 11, 1834, at Clarksville, Pike County, Missouri,
2) Nancy E. Greer, born about 1839 at Missouri,
3) Precilla F. Greer, born about 1842 at Missouri,
4) Eliza Greer, born about 1844 at Missouri, and
5) Charlotte Greer, born about 1846 at Missouri.

In her letter dated March 27, 1997, Mrs. Dolores J. Davis enclosed family group sheets which stated that William Henry or A. Greer was a son of Mary (Wright) Greer and Martin Greer, was born in 1800 or 1801 at Davidson County, Tennessee, married Ann Jones on February 19, 1852, at Missouri, and died in California.

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below the children of William A. or H. Greer and Ann (Jones) Greer were the following:

1) Maryann Marcella (Greer) Pugh, born on September 11, 1834, at Clarksville, Pike County, Missouri,
2) Nancy E. Greer, born about 1839 at Missouri,
3) Precilla F. Greer, born about 1842 at Missouri,
4) Eliza Greer, born about 1844, and
5) Charlotte Greer, born about 1846 at Missouri.

i. <u>Maryann Marcella (Greer) Pugh, Her Husband Samuel Houston Pugh, And Her Descendants</u>

Maryann Marcella (Greer) Pugh was a daughter of William A. or H. Greer and Ann (Jones) Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3], William[4])

In her letter dated March 12, 1989, Mrs. Iris Ash Garner enclosed the following extract from <u>History Of Sacramento County</u> by Win J. Davis published in 1890:

"Samuel Houston Pugh of Brighton Township was born in Owen County Indiana 21 August 1832, the son of James Pugh and Nancy Sikes, natives of Virginia. The father (James) Pugh was born in Charlotte County, Virginia and the mother in Halifax County, Virginia. His paternal grandfather, a native of France, came to America with Lafayette; was a corporal in the Revolution and remained throughout the struggle being present at the siege and battle of Yorktown. His maternal grandfather also served in the same war. Samuel's mothers first husband was named Scott who was of the same lineage as General Winfield Scott. He wintered at Valley Forge and died there after the war of the Revolution had closed. On his mothers side, Mr. Pugh's ancestory were Scotch and English.

James Pugh was born in 1790 and in the war of 1812. He was in the first Regiment that volunteered from Virginia. He marched to Norfolk under Capt. Carter and Colonel Henderson. At Fort Norfolk he served first in heavy artillery and was afterward transferred to different points where the fighting was in progress. After the close of the war, he continued to live in Virginia, married there, moved to Tennessee and then to Indiana settling on White River 7 miles below Spencer in 1827 or 1828 being one of the first settlers in Owen County. There were ten times as many Indians as white inhabitants. Wild game was so plentiful that a feast of fresh meat could be obtained at any hour of any day. When Samuel was 8 years old, the family located 3-1/2 miles SE of Neosho, Missouri. As they passed thru Neosho, the first log store was in process of erection there. The first clerk employed in Anthony's store there was "Jim" Raines, afterward General, who was killed in the Rebel Army at Murfreesboro.

Mr. Pugh was reared in Newton County, Missouri from 1839 to 1854 learning the carpenters trade from his father who was about the first contractor and builder in that locality. They built the first courthouse for that county, a log structure with one door and one or two windows for $143. They also built the Masonic Hall. Young Pugh also worked on the new courthouse under Martin Garrison. He followed carpentering until he was 17 years of age and then learned blacksmithing under Hendrick & McKee at Neosho and afterward he remained a year with his father building houses. November 4, 1854, Mr. Pugh started with another man to Texas with a small stock of dry goods and notions and 2000 apple trees which they took to Austin. They traveled thru 37 different counties of Texas that winter and 47 towns. In January, Mr. Pugh returned to Austin and accepted the superintendency of Judge Sneed's ranch, remained with him until June 17 and returned to Missouri where he wound up his affairs and on 24 Sept moved with his family to Texas locating 4 miles south of Austin where he had 100 acres of land. There he followed blacksmithing for 5 years. In 1859 he started for Pike's Peak with a team passing thru Indian Territory, Kansas and Nebraska to find a train going there, and failing he abandoned the trip. He then

settled in Salem, Richardson County, Nebraska and worked there at blacksmithing and gunsmithing. While there, he held the offices of City Marshall, Deputy Sheriff and Deputy U.S. Marshall and was holding all these offices when he left. He raised the first military company that volunteered in that county and was elected it's Captain. The company was raised to garrison Western forts. He also served in the Home Guards 1-1/2 years and was in a fight with the Jayhawkers at Falls City. Between 30 and 50 shots were fired, 2 men killed and several wounded. Mr. Pugh lost some blood and a small piece of his ear. May 11, 1862 a train was made up, of which he was Captain, and each started with 4 oxen and a number of cows for California. Mr. Pugh came by mail and stage route up the Platte by way of the Big Blue, Fort Kearney and Fort Laramie crossing the S Platte at Julesburg, the N Platte at Louis Bernard's bridge, camped at Independence Rock on the night of July 3 and celebrated the 4th the next day. Onward he came by way of Fort Bridger to Salt Lake and the overland Stage route to Reese River and the sink of the Carson River to Carson City (Nevada) and by way of Placerville (Calif.) to Sacramento passing directly by his present place of residence. When he reached Placerville, he was out of money and he sold a $100 rifle at the Kingsley House for $10, paid $7.50 for expenses and $2.50 for crossing the bridge at Sacramento! He then worked for Mr. Crocker, Super. of the Steam Navigation Co. in their yard until he could earn enough money to go to his brother's in Sonoma County. There he remained until March 1863. Returning to Sacramento, he worked in the shipyard there until the middle of May. Next, he followed blacksmithing at Carson City, Nevada for about 2 years and then bought a ranch upon Carson River 55 miles from Carson. He built a hotel and blacksmith shop upon that place, moulding the brick, laying them and doing all the carpenter work himself. When the Central Pacific Railroad was built to Wadsworth, it drew the travel from his place and he had to leave it, losing all. Then, November 1, 1866, he located on the McCarthy ranch in this county (Sacramento) until 1869, following farming and blacksmithing also hauling some for building the levee. During the year just mentioned, he bought a piece of land in San Joaquim Township, 2 miles east of Florin and continued farming and blacksmithing for 5 years and finally purchased 1/2 acre which he now occupies (1890) as a residence. Here he built a blacksmith and wagon shop, the Washington Hotel, house, barn, stage coach stop, ect. all with his own hands. In his political views Mr. Pugh is a Democrat. He has served many years as inspector of elections, and one term as school trustee. He was admitted into Sacramento Lodge #40, F&AM in 1868 and is still a member of that Lodge and he, as well as his family, are members of the Grange. He was married in McDonald County Missouri 19 February 1852 to Miss Mary Ann Greer, a native of Clarksville, Pike County, Missouri and daughter of William and Ann (Jones) Greer. Her father was of Scotch descent and mother of French. She was a child when her parents moved to Jasper County, Missouri and subsequently they moved to McDonald, 2-1/2 miles from Pierceville. Her mother died in Carson

City and her father in Sonoma County, Calif. Mr. and Mrs. Pugh have 9 children as follows:

1. Louis M. b 15 Dec 1852 in Missouri 3 miles from Neosho, and now living near Battle Mt. He was made a Mason at Elk Grove (Calif.) on the night he was 21, at the youngest age known in the U.S.

2. Mary Marcella now the wife of R. J. Brown and living in San Joaquin Twp.

3. Nancy Ann wife of Peter Chrisman and living at Gonzales, Monterey County.

4. Samuel A. residing in Lader County, Nevada.

5. Parmelia Belle, now the wife of Frank H. Ranlet of San Francisco.

6. Ethan Franklin, resident of El Dorado county near Shingle Springs.

7. Joseph A. living near Gonzales.

8. Charles Lorenzo who lives in Lader County, Nevada.

9. James Nathan with his parents."

In her letter dated February 11, 1989, Mrs. Iris Ash Garner enclosed family group sheets which stated that Maryann Marcella (Greer) Pugh was a daughter of William Greer and Ann (Jones) Greer, was born on September 11, 1834, at Clarksville, Pike County, Ohio, married Samuel Houston Pugh on February 19, 1852, at McDonald County, Missouri, died on February 26, 1916, at Sacramento, California, and was buried at Walsh's Station in an unmarked grave, that Samuel Houston Pugh was born on August 31, 1832, at Owen County, Indiana, died on November 19, 1908, at Sacramento, California, and was buried on November 22, 1908, at East Lawn Cemetery, and that Maryann Marcella (Greer) Pugh and Samuel Houston Pugh had the following children:

1) Louis M. Pugh, born on December 15, 1852, at Neosho, Newton County, Missouri,

2) Mary Marcella (Pugh) Brown, born in 1854 at Newton County, Missouri,

3) Nancy Ann M. (Pugh) Christman, born on November 15, 1856, at Travis County, Texas,

4) Amelia R. Pugh, born about 1859,

5) Parmelia Belle (Pugh) Ranlett, born on March 25, 1859, at Aevano County, Texas,

6) Samuel A. Pugh, born on May 31, 1861, at Richardson County, Nebraska, in a covered wagon,

7) Joseph Abraham Pugh, born on September 3, 1863, at Carson City, Armsby County, Nevada,

8) Ethan Franklin Pugh, born on June 2, 1866 at Churchill County, Nevada,

9) Charles Lorenzo Pugh, born on September 24, 1868, at Sacramento, California,

10) James Nathan Pugh, born on September 26, 1871, at Florin, Sacramento County, California.

ii. Nancy E. Greer

Nancy E. Greer was a daughter of William A. or H. Greer and Ann (Jones) Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3], William[4])

In her letter dated February 11, 1989, Mrs. Iris Ash Garner enclosed family group sheets which stated that Nancy E. Greer was a daughter of William Greer and Ann (Jones) Greer and was born about 1839 at Missouri.

iii. Precilla F. Greer

Precilla F. Greer was a daughter of William A. or H. Greer and Ann (Jones) Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3], William[4])

In her letter dated February 11, 1989, Mrs. Iris Ash Garner enclosed family group sheets which stated that Precilla F. Greer was a daughter of William Greer and Ann (Jones) Greer and was born about 1842 at Missouri.

iv. Eliza Greer

Eliza Greer was a daughter of William A. or H. Greer and Ann (Jones) Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3], William[4])

In her letter dated February 11, 1989, Mrs. Iris Ash Garner enclosed family group sheets which stated that Eliza Greer was a daughter of William Greer and Ann (Jones) Greer and was born about 1844.

v. Charlotte Greer

Charlotte Greer was a daughter of William A. or H. Greer and Ann (Jones) Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3], William[4])

In her letter dated February 11, 1989, Mrs. Iris Ash Garner enclosed family group sheets which stated that Charlotte Greer was a daughter of William Greer and Ann (Jones) Greer and was born about 1846 at Missouri.

g. Mary "Polly" (Greer) (Vaughan) Anderson And Her Husbands Samuel Vaughan And Joel Anderson

Mary "Polly" (Greer) (Vaughan) Anderson was a daughter of Mary (Wright) Greer and Martin Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3])

The will of Martin Greer dated March 11, 1822, and probated in July 1822 at Davidson County, Tennessee, W.B. 8/123 listed Polly Vaughn as his daughter:

> ". . . . Item 4th. I give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Polly Vaughn one horse and saddle, feather bed and furniture, one cow and calf, two ewes and lambs being the property already delivered her after marriage & no more. Until after mine and her mothers death then she the said Polly Vaughn is to have ten pounds and no more forever . . . ."

If Polly was at least 16 years of age at the time of her marriage to Samuel Vaughn and she was married as of the date of the will on March 11, 1822, then her date of birth was probably before 1807.

In her letter dated January 17, 1989, Mrs. Iris N. Garner enclosed family group sheets that stated that Mary "Polly" Greer was a daughter of Martin Greer and Mary (Wright) Greer and married Samuel Vaughn on October 13, 1819, at Davidson County, Tennessee, and was possibly divorced and possibly married an Anderson.

In her letter dated February 11, 1989, Mrs. Iris N. Garner enclosed a copy of Davidson County, Tennessee, Deed R/370 dated July 4, 1827, that indicated Mary "Polly" (Greer) Vaughan had been married to Samuel Vaughan and had divorced him:

"Deed Heirs of Martin Greer
Deed Book R pg 370 July 4 1827
Davison Co, Tennessee.

Deed recored July 4 1827 --- Whereas by the last will and testament executed on the 11th day of March 1822 by Martin Greer of Davidson Co, Tenn amongst other things willed his estate to the following named legatees to wit; Benjamin Greer, Joseph Greer, Nancy Greer now Nancy Mays, Greenberry Greer, Elizabeth Greer now Elizabeth Burton, James Greer And William Greer and whereas the said Greer failed to make any provision for his daughter Mary then the wife of Samuel Vaughan. Whereby she was left entirely destitute and the whereas since death of said Greer the Testator aforsaid Mary has been legally divorsed from her said husband the said Samuel Vaughan and has assumed her madin name of Mary Greer. Now therefore in consideration of the love and affection the undersigned legatees of said Greer deceased, have and bear toward the said Mary Vaughan Now called Mary Greer and for the further consideration of one dollar to each of us in hand paid by the said Mary her executors administrators and assigns an equal undivided share with us in the estate of said Greer deceased. And it is distinctly understood and declared that so far as we the undersigned legatees have an intrest in the estate of the said Greer we will divide the same with the said Mary as that her share of said estate shall be equal to and commensurate with ours individually but it is likewise understood and agreed that either of us may retain our share in kind of any particular lands or other property by paying said Mary her proportionable value in cash whereever a final division or settlement of said estate can or may take place.

As witness our hands and seals this 10th day of March 1827.

Hiram Bryant
William P. Morgan

Signed
Joseph Greer
George A Burton
Elizabeth P burton
J W Greer
W A Greer

State of Tenn. April Session 1827. This covenant and agreement Joseph Greer, James W Greer, George Burton and Elizabeth P Burton, his wife, and William A Greer heirs of Martin Greer, deceased to Mary Greer was proven in open court to be the Act and deed of the said parties first named by the oth Hiram Bryant and William P Morgan the subscribing witnesses and ordered to be recored and registered. Signed Nathern Ewing, Clark."

In her letter dated March 27, 1997, Mrs. Dolores J. Davis enclosed family group sheets which stated that Mary "Polly" Greer was a daughter of Mary (Wright) Greer and Martin Greer, was born at Davidson County, Tennessee, married first Samuel Vaughn, divorced on October 13, 1829, and married second Joel Anderson.

h. Greenberry Greer, His Wives Jane (Hudson Or Hutson) Greer And Elizabeth (Stanley) Greer, And His Descendants

Greenberry Greer was a son of Mary (Wright) Greer and Martin Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3])

The will of Martin Greer dated March 11, 1822, and probated in July 1822 at Davidson County, Tennessee, W.B. 8/123 listed Green B. Greer as his son:

> ". . . . Item 5th I give and bequeath unto my beloved son Green B. Greer one horse and saddle which he has received, also one feather bed and furniture, one cow and calf and two ewes and lambs . . . ."

On February 7, 1825, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 19/142 "Greenberry Greer, attorney in fact for Mary Greer, Joseph Greer and Benjamin Greer Executors and executrix of Martin Greer Deceased of Davison County and state of Tennessee" sold fifty acres of land to Joseph Wright of Franklin County, Virginia:

> "This Indenture made this 7th day of Febuary 1825, between Greenbury Greer attorney in fact for Mary Greer Joseph Greer and Benjamin Greer Executors and executrix of Martin Greer Deceased of Davison County and state of Tennessee of the one part, of Joseph Wright of Franklin County and state of Virginia of the other part Witness, that the said Greenbury Greer attorney in fact for and in consideration of the sum of two hundred dollars to him in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath granted bargained, and sold, and by these presents doth grant, bargain and sell unto him the said Joseph Greer one certain tract or parcel of land in Bedford County on Stanton river containing fifty acres it being the land allotted to Mary Greer the wife of Martin Greer Deceased out of the estate of Joseph Wright Dec. by commissioners appointed by the County Court of Bedford and returned by them to the said Court the courses of the said land may be had by reference thereto. Together with all and singular the appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining. To have and to hold the said bargained land and premises unto him the said Joseph Wright his heirs and assigns forever, and he the said Greenbury Greer attorney &c doth warrant and forever defend a good and lawful right and title in fee simple the said land unto him the said Joseph Wright and his heirs and &c

In Witness whereof the said Greenbury Greer attorney for Mary Greer Joseph Greer & Benjamin Greer Executors of Martin Greer Decd. hath hereunto set his hand and seal the date above written.

Green B. Greer

Franklin County Sct, We Robert Woods and Moses Greer Jr. Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Green B. Greer a party to a certain deed bearing date on the 7th day of Febuary 1825 & hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid & acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and desired us to certify the said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Bedford in order that the said deed may be recorded. Given under our hands and seals this 7th day of Febuary 1825

Robert Woods
Moses Greer Jr.

At a Court held for Bedford County at the Courthouse the 28th day of March 1825. This Indenture of bargain and sale was Certified by two Justices of the peace for Franklin County and ordered to be recorded.

Teste
Jas Steptoe C.B.C"

An identical deed was filed in Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 11/112:

"This Indenture made this seventh day of February one thousand eight hundred & twenty five between Greenberry Greer attorney in fact for Marey Greer, Joseph Greer & Benjamin Greer Executors of Martin Greer Deceasd of the County of Davidson & State of Tennessee of the one part & John Wright Senr of the County of Franklin & state of Verginia of the other part Witnesseth that the said Greenbury Greer for and in Consideration of the Sum of Sixty Dollars to him in hand paid the receipt whereof he doth hereby acknowledge have granted bargained and sold and by these presents do grant bargain & sell & confirm unto the said Joseph Wright his heirs and assigns forever one Certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in the County of Franklin containing fifteen acres be the same more or less it being the land allotted to Mary Greer the wife of Martin Greer Decd by Commissioners appointed by the County Court of Bedford to divid the lands of Joseph Wright decd between the heirs of the Said Wright and returned to the said Court by the Commissioners aforesaid the Corses of the said land may be had by Reference thereto together with all and Singular the right title & interest thereunto aperataining or in any wise belonging or apertaining to have and to hold the said land and bargained premises unto him

the Said Joseph Wright forever & he the said Greenberry Greer attorney &c doth warrant and forever defend good and lawful right and title in fee simple to the said land unto him the said Joseph Wright and his heirs &c In testimony whereof the said Greenberry Greer attorney for Mary Greer, Joseph Greer, & Benjamin Greer Executors of Martin Greer deceased hath set his hand & seal the day above Written

Green B Greer

At a Court held for Fraklin County at the Courthouse on the 7" day of February 1825

This Indenture of bargain and Sale between Green B Greer attorney on fact for Mary Greer, Joseph Greer and Benjamin Greer executor of Martin Greer decd of the one part and Joseph Wright of the other part was acknowledged by the said Green B Greer and Ordered to be Recorded

Teste
Caleb Tate, c.f.c."

The 1850 Census for Scott County, Missouri, listed Berry Greer with the following household:

Name	Age	Sex	Born
Greer, Berry	42	M	Va.
Elizabeth	27	F	Ill.
Harrison	19	M	Mo.
Calvin	17	M	Mo.
Thomas	15	M	Mo.
Martin V.	8	M	Mo.
Amanda	5	F	Mo.
Delilah	4	F	Mo.
Albert	3	M	Mo.
Susan	2	F	Mo.
Lilburn	6/12	M	Mo.

The age for (Green) Berry Greer in the census is consistent with a birth in 1808, as is the place of birth.

There are a number of records regarding the estate of Green B. Greer recorded in the records of the Circuit Court, Scott County, Missouri. The order for probate was dated April 26, 1852, and recorded at Scott County, Missouri, W.B. G/202, and appointed Benjamin Benefield administrator. On August 21, 1852, at Scott County, Missouri, W.B. G/254, Elizabeth Greer, the widow of Green B. Greer, and Harrison Greer, a son of Green B. Greer, moved for a sale of the decedent's slaves. In October 1852 at Scott County, Missouri, W.B. G/285, the administrator was authorized to rent the Horse Mill for twelve months and on January 28, 1853, at Scott County, Missouri, W.B. G/307 the administrator was authorized to sell the Horse Mill. An accounting on August 9, 1853, at Scott County, Missouri, W.B. G/355 charged the administrator with an estate of $2,385.49, which was reduced at a later accounting on July 7, 1854, at Scott County, Missouri, W.B. G/451 to $1,745.44.

Although the exact date is not indicated on my copy of the order, nor is the book and page number, some time after April 1858 and probably at Scott County, Missouri, W.B. A/335 Calvin Greer petitioned to be appointed guardian of Amanda, Albert, Lilburn, Mary L., and Nancy Greer, all of whom were under fourteen years of age. In three more orders, one for the year 1859, the court directed Isaac Hunter, curator for the wards, to pay various sums to Calvin Greer for the maintenance and schooling of his wards.

DAR Application #457446 stated that Martin and Mary Greer had a son named Greenberry Greer who was born on August 16, 1808, at Virginia and who died on March 29, 1852, at Sikeston, Missouri. His first or second wife was Elizabeth Stanley, born 1823 at Illinois, with their marriage on July 23, 1843. The sources for this information were listed as the 1850 Census for Scott County, Missouri, an affidavit regarding tombstone records at Sikeston, Missouri, and a marriage record at Book 1/21 for Scott County, Missouri.

In her letter dated January 17, 1989, Mrs. Iris Ash Gardner enclosed family group sheets which stated that Greenberry Greer married first Jane Hudson and was buried in the Carpenter Cemetery.

In her letter dated March 12, 1989, Mrs. Iris Ash Garner enclosed family group sheets which stated that Greenberry Greer was born in Franklin County, Virginia, and married first June Hutson, that June (Hutson) Greer was born on October 13, 1813, at Maryland or Ohio, and that they had the following children:

1) Isaac Greer, born June 8, 1829,
2) Harrison Greer, born April 27, 1830,
3) Calvin Greer, born July 26, 1833,
4) Thomas Nathaniel Greer, born July 17, 1835, and
5) Martin V. Greer, born September 25, 1842.

The family group sheets also stated that Greenberry Greer married second Elizabeth Stanley and that they had the following children:

1) Amanda (Greer) Grannick, born January 2, 1845,
2) Delilah (Greer) Gold, born May 20, 1846,
3) Albert Greer, born October 12, 1847,
4) Susan (Greer) Eggers, born November 12, 1848,
5) Lilbourn "Dock" Greer, born January 23, 1850,
6) Mary L. (Greer) Sibley, born March 11, 1851, and
7) Nancy (Greer) (Keith) Morrow, born July 13, 1852.

In her letter dated March 27, 1997, Mrs. Dolores J. Davis enclosed family group sheets which stated that Greenberry Greer was a son of Mary (Wright) Greer and Martin Greer, was born on August 16, 1808, at Davidson County, Tennessee, married first Jane Hutson in 1827 or 1828 at Scott County, Missouri, married second Elizabeth Stanley on July 23, 1843, at Missouri, and died on March 29, 1852, at Scott County, Missouri, and that Jane (Hutson) Greer was born on October 30, 1813.

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below the children of Greenberry Greer and Jane (Hudson or Hutson) Greer were the following:

1) Isaac Greer, born on June 8, 1829,

2) Benjamin Harrison Greer, born on April 27, 1830, at Missouri,

3) Calvin Greer, born on July 26, 1833, Missouri,

4) Thomas Nathaniel Greer, born on July 17, 1835, at Missouri, and

5) Martin V. Greer, born on September 25, 1842, at Missouri, and

the children of Greenberry Greer and Elizabeth (Stanley) Greer were the following:

1) Amanda (Greer) Grannick, born on January 2, 1845, at Missouri,

2) Delilah (Greer) Gold, born on May 20, 1846, at Missouri,

3) Albert Greer, born on October 12, 1847, at Missouri,

4) Susan (Greer) Eggers, born on November 12, 1848, at Scott County, Missouri,

5) Lilburn "Dock" Greer, born on January 23, 1850, at Missouri,

6) Mary L. or C. (Greer) Sibley, born on March 11, 1851, and

7) Nancy (Greer) (Keith) Morrow, born on July 13, 1852.

i. Isaac Greer

Isaac Greer was a son of Greenberry Greer and Jame (Hudson or Hutson) Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3], Greenberry[4])

In her letter dated March 12, 1989, Mrs. Iris Ash Garner enclosed family group sheets which listed Isaac Greer as a son of Greenberry Greer and Jane (Hutson) Greer, his birth on June 8, 1829, and his death on September 10, 1830.

ii. Benjamin Harrison Greer And His Wife Rebecca (Brazeal) Greer

Benjamin Harrison Greer was a son of Greenberry Greer and Jane (Hudson or Hutson) Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3], Greenberry[4])

The 1850 Census for Scott County, Missouri, listed Harrison Greer in the Berry Greer household and his age as 19 and born in Missouri, indicating a date of birth in about 1831.

On August 21, 1852, at Scott County, Missouri, W.B. G/254 Elizabeth Greer, the widow of Green B. Greer, and Harrison Greer, a son of Green B. Greer, moved for a sale of the decedent's slaves.

In her letter dated March 12, 1989, Mrs. Iris Ash Garner enclosed family group sheets that stated that Ben Harrison Greer was a son of Greenberry Greer and Jane (Hutson) Greer, that he was born on April 27, 1830, and that he married Rebecca Brazeal.

iii. Calvin Greer And His Wife Frances "Fanny" (Turner) Greer

Calvin Greer was a son of Greenberry Greer and Jane (Hudson or Hutson) Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3], Greenberry[4])

The 1850 Census for Scott County, Missouri, listed Calvin Greer in the Berry Greer household and his age as 17 and born in Missouri, indicating a date of birth in about 1833.

Some time after April 1858 and probably at Scott County, Missouri, W.B. A/335 Calvin Greer petitioned to be appointed guardian of Amanda, Albert, Lilburn, Mary L., and Nancy Greer, all of whom were under fourteen years of age. In three more orders, one for the year 1859, the court directed Isaac Hunter, curator for the wards, to pay various sums to Calvin Greer for the maintenance and schooling of his wards.

In her letter dated March 12, 1989, Mrs. Iris Ash Garner enclosed family group sheets which stated that Calvin Greer was born on July 26, 1833, married Frances "Fanny" Turner, and died on January 20, 1916.

iv. Thomas Nathaniel Greer And His Wives Rhoda (McMullin) Greer And Mahilda Wherle (Hinkle) Greer

Thomas Nathaniel Greer was a son of Greenberry Greer and Mary (Hudson and Hutson) Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3], Greenberry[4])

The 1850 Census for Scott County, Missouri, listed Thomas Wright in the Berry Greer household and his age as 15 and born in Missouri, indicating a date of birth in about 1835.

In her letter dated March 12, 1989, Mrs. Iris Ash Garner enclosed family group sheets which stated that Thomas Wright was a son of Greenberry Greer and Jane

(Hutson) Greer, was born on July 17, 1835, married first Rhoda McMullin and second Mahilda Wherle Hinkle.

v. Martin V. Greer

Martin V. Greer was a son of Greenberry Greer and Jane (Hudson or Hutson) Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3], Greenberry[4])

The 1850 Census for Scott County, Missouri, listed Martin V. Greer in the Berry Greer household and his age as 8 and born in Missouri, indicating a date of birth in about 1842.

In her letter dated March 12, 1989, Mrs. Iris Ash Garner enclosed family group sheets which stated that Martin V. Greer was a son of Greenberry Greer and Jane (Hutson) Greer, was born on September 25, 1842, and died at age 10 or 12.

vi. Amanda (Greer) Grannick And Her Husband Christopher Grannick

Amanda (Greer) Grannick was a daughter of Greenberry Greer and Elizabeth (Stanley) Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3], Greenberry[4])

The 1850 Census for Scott County, Missouri, listed Amanda Greer in the Berry Greer household and her age as 5 and born in Missouri, indicating a date of birth in about 1845.

Some time after April 1858 and probably at Scott County, Missouri, W.B. A/335 Calvin Greer petitioned to be appointed guardian of Amanda Greer.

In her letter dated March 12, 1989, Mrs. Iris Ash Garner enclosed family group sheets which stated that Amanda Greer was a daughter of Greenberry Greer and Elizabeth (Stanley) Greer, was born on January 2, 1845, and married Christopher Grannick.

vii. Delilah (Greer) Gold And Her Husband Marion Gold

Delilah (Greer) Gold was a daughter of Greenberry Greer and Elizabeth (Stanley) Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3], Greenberry[4])

The 1850 Census for Scott County, Missouri, listed Delilah Greer in the Berry Greer household and her age as 4 and born in Missouri, indicating a date of birth in about 1846.

Some time after April 1858 and probably at Scott County, Missouri, W.B. A/335 Calvin Greer petitioned to be appointed guardian of Delilah Greer.

In her letter dated March 12, 1989, Mrs. Iris Ash Garner enclosed family group sheets which stated that Delilah Greer was a daughter of Greenberry Greer and Elizabeth (Stanley) Greer, was born on May 20, 1846, married Marion Gold, and died in 1896.

viii. Albert Greer And His Wife Elizabeth (Foster) Greer

Albert Greer was a son of Greenberry Greer and Elizabeth (Stanley) Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3], Greenberry[4])

The 1850 Census for Scott County, Missouri, listed Albert Greer in the Berry Greer household and his age as 3 and born in Missouri, indicating a date of birth in about 1847.

Some time after April 1858 and probably at Scott County, Missouri, W.B. A/335 Calvin Greer petitioned to be appointed guardian of Albert Greer.

In her letter dated March 12, 1989, Mrs. Iris Ash Garner enclosed family group sheets which stated that Albert Greer was a son of Greenberry Greer and Elizabeth (Stanley) Greer, was born on October 12, 1847, married Elizabeth Foster, and died in February 1884.

ix. Susan (Greer) Eggers And Her Husband Herman Eggers

Susan (Greer) Eggers was a daughter of Greenberry Greer and Elizabeth (Stanley) Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3], Greenberry[4])

The 1850 Census for Scott County, Missouri, listed Susan Greer in the Berry Greer household and her age as 2 and born in Missouri, indicating a date of birth in about 1848.

In her letter dated March 12, 1989, Mrs. Iris Ash Garner enclosed family group sheets which stated that Susan Greer was a daughter of Greenberry Greer and Elizabeth (Stanley) Greer, was born on November 12, 1848, and married Herman Eggers.

x. Lilburn "Dock" Greer And His Wife Louisa (Pratt) Greer

Lilburn "Dock" Greer was a son of Greenberry Greer and Elizabeth (Stanley) Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3], Greenberry[4])

The 1850 Census for Scott County, Missouri, listed Lilburn Greer in the Berry Greer household and his age as 6/12 and born in Missouri, indicating a date of birth in about 1850.

Some time after April 1858 and probably at Scott County, Missouri, W.B. A/335 Calvin Greer petitioned to be appointed guardian of Lilburn Greer.

In her letter dated March 12, 1989, Mrs. Iris Ash Garner enclosed family group sheets which stated that Lilbourne "Dock" Greer was a son of Greenberry Greer and Elizabeth (Stanley) Greer, was born on January 23, 1850, and married Louisa Pratt.

xi. Mary L. or C. (Greer) Sibley And Her Husband Alonzo Dow Sibley

Mary L. or C. (Greer) Sibley was a daughter of Greenberry Greer and Elizabeth (Stanley) Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3], Greenberry[4])

Some time after April 1858 and probably at Scott County, Missouri, W.B. A/335 Calvin Greer petitioned to be appointed guardian of Mary L. Greer.

In her letter dated March 12, 1989, Mrs. Iris Ash Garner enclosed family group sheets which stated that Mary C. Greer was a daughter of Greenberry Greer and Elizabeth (Stanley) Greer, was born on March 11, 1851, and married Alonzo Dow Sibley.

xii. Nancy (Greer) (Keith) Morrow And Her Husbands S. L. Keith And James Morrow

Nancy (Greer) (Keith) Morrow was a daughter of Greenberry Greer and Elizabeth (Stanley) Greer. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Mary[3], Greenberry[4])

Some time after April 1858 and probably at Scott County, Missouri, W.B. A/335 Calvin Greer petitioned to be appointed guardian of Nancy Greer.

In her letter dated March 12, 1989, Mrs. Iris Ash Garner enclosed family group sheets which stated that Nancy Greer was a daughter of Greenberry Greer and Elizabeth (Stanley) Greer, was born on July 13, 1852, married first S. L. Keith and second James Morrow, and died on February 26, 1931.

3. Milly Wright

Milly Wright was a daughter of 1815 Joseph Wright of Bedford County and Elizabeth (Kemp) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2])

The will of 1815 Joseph Wright dated February 21, 1815, and probated on September 11, 1815, at Bedford County, Virginia, Superior Court A/15 did not list a daughter Milly Wright.

However, the Declaration of Littleberry Wright listed Milly Wright as the third child of 1815 Joseph Wright of Bedford County. Either the declaration was in error or she had died without issue before the will was written.

4. John Wright

John Wright was a son of 1815 Joseph Wright of Bedford County and Elizabeth (Kemp) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2])

The 1804 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed John Wright J son with the following property:

Date of Recving lists	Persons Names Owning Property	White Tithes	Blacks Ov 16	Blacks 12 & 16
May 12	John Wright J son	1	-	-

Horses	Stud Horses	Rate per Season	Merchant License	Taxes
1	-	-	-	- 12

There was no John Wright who is known to have had a son John Wright in Franklin County at this time. There was one Joseph Wright (1844 Joseph Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky) who is known to have had a son John Wright in Franklin County at this time, but that John Wright would probably have been only 10 to 12 years of age at this time. The result is that this John Wright was the son of 1815 Joseph Wright of Bedford County, but further research will be required to confirm this identification.

The 1805 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed John Wright JS with the following property:

	Persons Names	White Tithes	Blacks Over 16	B under 16 & O. 12
May 4	John Wright JS	1	-	-

Horses	Studs	Rate per Season	Merchant License	Taxes
1	-	-	-	- 12

The 1806 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed John Wright J son with the following property:

date of Receiving Lists	Persons Names Owning Property	White tithes	B: Over 16	B under 16 & over 12
July 7	John Wright J son	1	-	-

Horses	Studs	Rate per Season	Merchant License	Tax
1	-	-	-	- 12

The will of 1815 Joseph Wright dated February 21, 1815, and probated on September 11, 1815, at Bedford County, Virginia, Superior Court Book A/15 listed John Wright as one of his children:

> ". . . . 5thly I give and bequeath to my three eldest sons, Thomas, John & Joseph Wright and to my five daughters, Mary Greer, Agness Mayse, Judith McCormack, Patsy Mayse & Barsheba Simmons, and to the Heirs of my Daughter Nancy Meadors, decd. one hundred and fifty acres of Land in Franklin County, whereon my son Joseph Wright now lives. Also one hundred and thirty acres adjoining the same called Balls place to be equally divided between them . . . ."

John Wright, the son of 1815 Joseph Wright, was alloted two parcels of land from the estate of his father. The first was Lot number 11 in the Division and Allotment at Bedford County W.B. 4/255 dated June 22, 1816, consisting of 200 acres in Franklin County, the legal description of which is as follows:

> "Lot No. 11. 200 acres in Franklin County Begining at a red oak N 85 West 95 poles to a red oak S 87 W 60 poles to a W.O. S 3 E 88 poles to a W.O. S 20 E 76 poles to a W.O. West 62 poles to pointers S 15 W 46 poles to a W.O. S 20 W 52 poles to a poplar S 76 W 52 poles to a gum N 5 E 56 poles to 2 R.O. N 20 E 34 poles to a red oak N 46 E 72 poles to a R.O. N 17 W 52 poles to pointers N 57 W 46 poles to a R.O. N 47 E 56 poles to a W.O N 17 E 116 poles to pointers N 15 W 22 poles to a Hicory N 68 E 112 poles to a W.O. S 15 E 38 poles to a R.O. S 70 E 34 poles to 3 Small Chesnuts S 7 E 132 poles to the Begining."

The second parcel was Lot number 8 in the Division and Allotment at Bedford County W.B. 4/262 dated August 22, 1816, consisting of 15 acres in Franklin County, the legal description of which is was follows:

> "Lot No. 8 Containing 15 acres Begining at a Chesnut oak South 80 west 60 poles to a Chesnut & turnip (?) North 28 West 100 poles near a Branch thence Down the Same to a White oak South 12 East 80 poles to the Begining . . ."

On November 5, 1816, at Franklin County, Virginia, Deed 7/559, John Wright of Montgomery County sold Lot number 8 to James Mays:

> "This Indenture made this 5th day of November 1816 between John Wright of the County of Montgomery and State of Virginia of the one part and James Mays of the County of Bedford and State aforesaid of the other part, Witnesses that the said John Wright for and in consideration of the sum of fifty Dollars current

money of Virginia have given granted bargained and Sold unto the said James Mays and his heirs for ever one certain tract or parcel of Land in the County of Franklin and State afores'd lying and being on the Waters of a little branch on the South side of Staunton River containing fifty acres and bounded as fowleth to wit begining at a chesnut oak, South eighty degrees West sixty poles to a chesnut stump, North twenty eight degrees West one hundred poles near a branch, thence down the same to a white oak, South twelves degrees east eighty poles to the first station together with all its appurtenances to have and to hold the said tract or parcel of Land with its apparatus unto the said James Mays & his heirs for ever, the said John Wright and his heirs will forever warrant and defend a good and lawful Right and title in Enfeoff and fee simple Witness whereof the said John Wright have hereunto subscribed his name and affixed his Seal the day and year above written.

Signed and Sealed
in the presence of
William Kyle
Cyrus Robinson

John Wright

At Montgomery November Court 1816. This deed was exhibited in Court, acknowledged by John Wright a party hereto and ordered to be certified to the County Court of Franklin where the Land lies there to be recorded.

Teste,
Charles Taylor CMC

At a Court held for Franklin County January 6" 1817

This Indenture of Bargain and Sale between John Wright of the one part and James Mays of the other part, together with the Certificate hereon was exhibited in Court & ordered to be recorded.

Teste
Caleb Tate, C.F.C"

Although the parcel is described as fifty rather than fifteen acres, it is clearly Lot number 8 that is being sold.

On November 5, 1816, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 7/560 John Wright of Montgomery County sold Lot Number 11 to James Mays of Bedford County:

"This Indenture made this the 5th day of November 1816 between John Wright of the County of Montgomery and State of Virginia of the one part, & James Mays of the County of Bedford and State aforesaid of the other part, Witnesses,

the said John Wright for and in consideration of the sum of three hundred Dollars current money of Virginia, hath given, granted, bargained and Sold unto the said James Mays and his heirs for ever one certain tract or parcel of Land, lying and being in the County of Franklin and State aforesaid on the waters of little Lynville and containing two hundred acres begining at a read oak, North eighty five degrees West ninety five poles to a read oak, South eighty seven degrees West sixty poles to a white oak, South three degrees east eight poles to a white oak, South twenty degrees E. seventy six poles to a white oak, West sixty two poles to pointers, South fifteen degrees West forty six poles to a white oak, South twenty degrees West fifty two poles to a poplar, South seventy six degrees West fifty two poles to a Gum, North five degrees east fifty six poles to two read oaks, North twenty degrees east thirty four poles to red oak, North forty six degrees east seventy two poles to a read oak, North seventeen degrees West fifty two poles to pointers, North fifty seven degrees West forty six poles to a read oak, North forty seven degrees east fifty six poles to a white oak, North seventeen degrees East one hundred and sixteen poles to pointers, North fifteen degrees West twenty two poles to a Hickory, North sixty eight dg east one hundred twelve poles to a white oak, South fifteen degrees east thirty eight poles to a red oak, South seventy degrees east thirty four poles to three small chesnuts, South seven degrees east one hundred and thirty two poles to the first station. Together with all its appurtenances to have and to hold the said tract or parcel of Land with all its apparatuses unto the said James Mays his heirs & John Wright his heirs and assigns forever, the said John Wright and his heirs will forever warrant and defend a good and lawful right and title as Witness whereof the said John Wright have hereunto subscribed his name and affixed his Seal, the day and year above writteh.

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Teste
Caleb Tate, C.F.C"

The significant fact in these sales is that John Wright was described in each deed as of Montgomery County, Virginia.

On December 29, 1823, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Peter Dent filed an affidavit for issuance of a subpoena against John Wright, the son of Joseph Wright, in connection with his suit for land with the county of residence of John Wright left blank:

"Dent)
vs) In chancery
Wrights heirs)

Give Mr Dent a Subpena in this case for John Wright with a blank for the county to which it is to go

Take an order of publication as to the Defendant named in the affidavit at the next sales(?) say monday next see the affidavit now returned to the office by Mr Dent for their names

P. R Gilmer
29th Decr 1823"

This record indicates that the family did not know the residence of John Wright at that time and that he may not have then resided in Montgomery County.

On September 2, 1824, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers a summons was issued against the heirs of Joseph Wright to answer the complaint of Peter Dent for land with a notation in February 1828 that the case was ready as to all except John Wright:

"The Common Wealth of Virginia to the Sheriff of Bedford County greeting: We Command you that you summon Thomas Wright Joseph Wright William McCormack Judith McCormack James Mayse Patsy Mayse Joseph Meador

Jubal Meador Matthew Wright Wright Wright Samuel Mayse & Agness his wife Joel Simmonds & Bersheba his wife Martin Greer & Mary Greer his wife to appear before the Justices of our court of our said County at the courthouse thereof on the fourth monday in November to answer a bill in chancery exhibited against them by Peter Dent - And this they shall in no wise omit under the penalty of £100 - And have then there this Writ Witness James Steptoe Clerk of our said Court the 2d day of September 1824. In the 49th Year of our Independence

J Steptoe

Ready as to all but John Wright. P.RG: __ Feby 1828."

A tentative identification of this John Wright as 1839 John A. Wright of Franklin County was made by Mr. William Pullen in his pamphlet Virginians and Hoosiers: Abshires, Hustons, and Wrights, Bedford, Franklin, Virginia and Union, Hamilton Counties, Indiana, 1977. However, that identification was incorrect and that 1839 John A. Wright of Franklin County, Virginia, was the son of 1830 William Wright of Franklin County and the grandson of 1809 William Wright of Franklin County. This conclusion is based on a clear identification of 1839 John A. Wright as a son of William Wright in the Franklin County, Virginia, Land Tax Lists.

5. 1844 Joseph Wright Of Hardin County, Kentucky, His Wives Mary (Cook) Wright, Clarissa "Clarry" (Drake) Wright, And Martha (Pagin) Wright, And His Descendants

1844 Joseph Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, was a son of 1815 Joseph Wright of Bedford County and Elizabeth (Kemp) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2])

The 1787 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

		Whites Over 21	Whites Under 21
March 31	Joseph Wright	0	1

Blacks Over 16	Blacks Under 16	Horses	Cattle
0	0	0	0

This record indicates that 1844 Joseph Wright was born after March 31, 1766.

The 1788 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

		Whites Over 16	Blacks Over 16	Blacks Over 12	Horses
Jul 1	Joseph Wright	1	0	0	1

The 1789 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

		16/ Whites	16 B	12Do	Horses
August 26	Joseph Wright	1	0	0	1

The 1791 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

		Whites	Blacks Over 16	Blacks Under 16
July 17	Joseph Wright	1	0	0

Horses	Stud Horses	£ S D
1	0	0 0 6

The 1792 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, did not list a Joseph Wright, but the 1792 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following household on April 14:

Date Of Receiving List from Individuals	Persons names Chargeable with the Tax	No. of Tithes	No. of Blacks	Horses Mares Colts & Mules	Car-riage Wheels
Apr 14	Joseph Wright	1		1	

Ordinary License	Billiard Tables	No. of Studs	Rate of Covering

The only Joseph Wright old enough to be listed in the Personal Property Tax List was 1844 Joseph Wright and this record indicates that he had moved to Bedford County, probably to his father's land there.

The 1793 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright Jr. with the following household on March 20:

Date of Receiving List from Individuals	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	No of Tithes White and Black	No of Blacks over 12 Years	No of Horses Mares Colts and Mules
Mar 20	Joseph Wright Jr.	1		1

Carriage Wheels	Ordinary License	Billiard Tables	No of Studs	Rate of Covering

The marriage record of Joseph Wright and Clary Drake was dated on October 28, 1793, at Franklin County, Virginia, with Jesse Fears as surety:

"Frankling to wit Counts of Selebrating their writes of Martrermony
. . . .

Octbr 28th - 1793
Joseph Write and Clary Drake"

The 1794 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, did not list a Joseph Wright who was 1844 Joseph Wright, but the 1794 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

	Persons Names	White Tithes	Blacks Over 16	Blacks 16 to 12	Horses
March 22	Joseph Wright	1	-	-	2

Stud Horses	£ S D
-	- - 8

This record indicates that 1844 Joseph Wright had moved back to Franklin County from Bedford County after his marriage to Clary Drake.

The 1795 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

	Persons Names	Whites	Blacks	Blacks	Horses	Tax
May 8	Joseph Wright	1	-	-	-	- - -

The 1795 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright Jr pr St Mead with the following property:

Persons Owning Land	Quant of Land	Amount of One Acre	Total Amount of Valluation	Tax
Joseph Wright Jr per St Mead	300	0.1.0	15.0.0	

This was land purchased by 1815 Joseph Wright of Bedford County, but apparently his son 1844 Joseph Wright lived on the land and was taxed on it.

The 1796 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

	Persons Names	White Tithes	Blacks 0. 16	Blacks u 16	Horses
August 30	Joseph Wright	1	-	-	1

Studs	£ S D
-	- - 4

The 1796 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright Jnr Stith Mead with the following property:

Persons Names Owning Land	Numr of Acres	Amount of One Acre	Total Amount of Valluation	Taxes
Joseph Wright Jnr Stith Mead	300	0.1.0	15.0.0	0.0.9

The 1797 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

	Persons Names	White Persons	Blacks 0 16	Blacks U 16	Horses	Studs
April 1	Joseph Wright	1	-	-	2	

The 1797 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright Jnr with the following property:

Persons Names Owning Land	Number of Acres	Amount of One Acre	Total Amount of Valluation	Taxes
Joseph Wright Jnr	300	0.1.0	15.0.0	0.0.9

The 1798 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

	Persons Names	White Tythes	Blacks Over	Blacks Under 16
April 7	Joseph Wright	1	-	-

Horses	Stud Horses	License	D C
1	-	-	- 9

The 1798 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright Senr with the following property:

Persons Names Owning Land	Number of Acres	Amount of One Acre	Total Amount of Valluation	D C 38 Cts
Joseph Wright Senr	150	0.4.6-1/2	34.1.3	0.44
Ditto	96	0.6.0	28.16.0	0.37
Ditto fm Stith Mead	300	0.1.0	15.0.0	0.19

This represented a consolidation of the two listings for Joseph Wright, Sr., and Joseph Wright, Jr., and confirms that 1815 Joseph Wright was the purchaser of Franklin County Deed 3/248 from Sith Mead.

The 1799 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

	Persons Names	White Tithes	Blacks Over 16	Blacks Under 16
May 6	Joseph Wright	1	-	-

Horses	Studs	Licenses	D C
1	-	-	- 12

The 1800 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

		White Tithes	Blacks Over 16	Blacks Under 16
Apr 5	Joseph Wright	1	-	-

Horses	Stud Horses	Rates p person	License	Dollars Cents
1	-	-	-	- 12

The 1802 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

	Persons Names	White Tithes	Blacks Over 16	Blacks Over 12 & Under 16
April 10	Joseph Wright	2	0	-

Horses &c &c &c	Stud Horses	Rates p Season	Store License	Dollars Cents
1	-	-	-	- 12

The 1803 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed two Joseph Wright Jr.'s, one of whom had the following property:

	Persons Names	White Tithes	Blacks Over 16	Blacks Under 16 & Over 12
April 9	Joseph Wright Jur	2	-	-

Horses, Mares & Colts	Stud Horses	Rate per Season	Merchant License	Dollar Cents
-	-	-	-	- -

This was probably 1844 Joseph Wright, since he would be old enough to have an additional white tithe in his household and as son of 1815 Joseph Wright could be known as "Jur".

The 1804 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed two Joseph Wrights, one of whom was Joseph Wright S with the following property:

Date of Recving lists	Persons Names Owning Property	White Tithes	Blacks Ov 16	Blacks 12 & 16
Aug 11	Joseph Wright S	2	-	-

Horses	Stud Horses	Rate per Season	Merchant License	Taxes
1	-	-	-	- 12

The designation "S" probably stood for "senior" or "Staunton" and that would identify this Joseph Wright as 1844 Joseph Wright.

The 1805 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

	Persons Names	White Tithes	Blacks Over 16	B under 16 & O. 12
April 1	Joseph Wright	2	-	-

Horses	Studs	Rate per Season	Merchant License	Taxes
2	-	-	-	- 24

The 1806 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright S with the following property:

date of Receiving Lists	Persons Names Owning Property	White tithes	B: Over 16	B under 16 & over 12
July 7	Joseph Wright S	2	-	-

Horses	Studs	Rate per Season	Merchant License	Tax
3	-	-	-	- 36

The 1806 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright per Hazel Ball & af with the following property:

Persons Names That Own Land	No. of Acres Land	Amt of One Acre D C	Total Amount of Valuation D C	Tax D C
Joseph Wright per Hazel Ball & af	130	0.34	44.00	0.21

This record reflects the purchase of 130 acres of land by 1815 Joseph Wright of Bedford County by Franklin County Deed 5/58. Although the land was owned by 1815 Joseph Wright and he left it to his children in his will, 1844 Joseph Wright apparently lived on the land and was separately taxed on it by Franklin County.

The 1807 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Wright Joseph with the following property:

Persons Names That Own Land	No. of Acres	Amt of One Acre	Total Amount of Valuation	Tax
Wright Joseph	130	0.34	44.00	0.21

The 1809 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed two Joseph Wrights, one of whom had the following property:

date of Rec Lists	Persons Names that own Property	Whites	B over 16	Blacks over 12
	Joseph Wright	2	-	-

Horses	___	___	____	Tax
2	-	-	-	- 24

The listing of two white tithes indicates that this was 1844 Joseph Wright rather than 1829 Joseph F. Wright.

The 1809 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright Jur with the following property:

Persons Names That Own Land	Amount of Acres	Amt of One Acre	Total Amount Of Valuation	Tax
Joseph Wright Jur	130	0.34	44.30	0.21

The 1810 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

____	Persons Names that own Property	Whites	Black over 16	B over 12 & under 16
	Joseph Wright	2	-	-

Horses	___	___	____	Tax
2	-	-	-	- 24

The 1810 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright Jur with the following property:

Persons Names That Own Land	Amount of Land	Amot of One Acre	Amount Of Vallueation	Tax
Joseph Wright Jur	130	0.34	44.00	0.21

The 1810 Census for Franklin County, Virginia, listed two Joseph Wrights, one of whom was described as Senior, with the following households:

Joseph Wright, Sr.:

Name of Head of Family	Free White Males	Age	Free White Female	Age	All Other Free Persons	Slaves
Joseph Wright Sr.	1	26-45	1	26-45		
	3	16-26	1	0-10		
	1	10-16				

Joseph Wright:

Name of Head of Family	Free White Males	Age	Free White Female	Age	All Other Free Persons	Slaves
Joseph Wright	2	26-45	1	16-26		
			1	0-10		

Since 1844 Joseph Wright, the son of 1815 Joseph Wright, was born before 1829 Joseph F. Wright, the son of 1849 Thomas Wright and a grandson of 1815 Joseph Wright, the Joseph Wright listed as "Sr." in the 1810 Census would be 1844 Joseph Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky. Either record would place Joseph Wright Jr.'s birth date between 1765 and 1784 and if 1844 Joseph Wright was at least 16 years of age at the time of his marriage, his date of birth would be between 1765 and 1776.

The 1811 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Date of Receivg Lists	Persons Names that Own Property	White tithes	Blacks over 16 years	Blacks over 12 & under 16 years
Aprl 20	Joseph Wright	1	-	-

Horses	___	___	____	Tax D C
2	-	-	-	- 24

The 1811 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Persons Names That Own Land	No. of Acres	Amount of One Acre	Total Amount Of Valluation	Tax
Joseph Wright	130	0.34	44.00	0.21

The 1812 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright S with the following property:

____	Persons Names that own property	White tithes	Blacks over 16 years	Blacks under 16 & over 12
	Joseph Wright S	1	-	-

Horses	___	___	____	Tax
2	-	-	-	- 24

The 1812 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Persons Names That Own Land	No. of Acres	A Description and Situation of Each Tract of Land	Amount of One Acre	Total Amount Of Valuation	Tax
Joseph Wright	130	on Gills Creek	0.34	44.00	0.21

On October 11, 1812, Joseph Wright consented to the marriage of his son Martin to Delilah McCormick:

"Sir please to give licens between my Son martin and delily Mcomack and you will much Oblige yours

Mr James Stepto
test Bary Right
Test Jeremiah Meador

Joseph his X mark Right and
Clarry X her Right mark

October 1th 1812"

The 1813 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright S. with the following property:

____	Persons Names that own property	White tithes	Blacks over 16	Blacks over 12 & under 16
	Joseph Wright S.	1	-	-

Horses	___	___	_____	Tax
-	-	-	-	- -

The 1813 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Persons Names That Own Land	No. of Acres	Description & Situation of Each Tract	Amount of One Acre	Total Amount Of Valluation	Tax
Joseph Wright	130	Linvill	0.34	44.00	0.28

The 1814 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright Sr with the following property:

____	Persons names that own property	White tithes	Blacks over 16	Blacks 12 & under 16
	Joseph Wright Sr	1	-	-

Horses	Griss Merchant Mills	Rent	Saw Mills	Rent	Forges	Valuation
1	-	-	-	-	-	-

Cariages	Valu-ation	Stud Horses	Rate per Season	___	Valu-ation	___
-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Valu-ation	Free negroes & Mulatoes	Merchant License	___	___
-	-	-	-	- 21

The 1814 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright Ju. with the following property:

Name Of Owner	Residence	Estate	Number of Town Lots	Name of the Town
Joseph Wright Ju.	in Franklin	fee Simple		
Same	" "	" "		

Yearly Rent of Lots	Amount of Tax on Lots	No of Acres of Lots	Description of Land
		130	Linvill
		380	Linvill

Distance & Baring from the Court House	Rate of Land per Acre	Total Valua-tion of Land	Amount of Tax on Land	Total Amount of Tax on Land and Lots	Explanation of Alterations During the Preceding Year
20NE	.34	44.00	.37		
20NE	.50	190.00	1.61		

Although this record indicates an additional 380 acres of land taxed to 1844 Joseph Wright, no document for such an acquisition has yet been found and the record was changed back to 130 acres the next year and I suspect that this was just a copying error in the records. However, after the death of his father, 1844 Joseph Wright was taxed on 380 acres of land and described as Joseph Wright, Sr. This was probably land considered as his by 1844 Joseph Wright, but actually owned by his father, and the correction of the records was not completed until the death of 1815 Joseph Wright. As will be set forth below, the will of 1815 Joseph Wright referred to land on which his son Joseph Wright then lived.

On October 3, 1814, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 7/205 Joseph Wright, Sr., of Bedford County, that is 1815 Joseph Wright, gave the 130 acres of land on Lynville Creek which had been taxed to 1844 Joseph Wright, to 1844 Joseph's sons David Wright and Littleberry Wright:

> "This Indenture made & entered into this third day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & fourteen between Joseph Wright Sr of the

County of Bedford & State of Virginia of the one part & David Wright & Littleberry Wright both of the County of Franklin & State aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth that the said Joseph Wright for & in consideration of the love & good will which he has for the said David & Littleberry Wright hath this day granted & confirmed and by these presents doth grant alien & confirm to the said David Wright & Littleberry Wright one certain tract of Land containing one hundred & thirty Acres Situate in the County of Franklin & lying on the waters of Linvills Creek & Bounded as follows viz. Begining at a red oak thence S 33-1/2 W 52 poles to a post Oak thence along John Bashams lines S 45- 1/2 W 55 poles to Post Oak S 46-1/4 W 24 poles to Hickory on Branch S 76 W 27 poles to red oak S 53 W 56 poles to post Oak thence new line N 36 W 66 pole to a Maple on the Cow Branch thence down the said Branch as it meanders to a maple off thence N 64-1/2 E 38 poles to pine S 64 E 67 poles to a white Oak S 80 E 122 poles to the first station To have and to hold the aforesaid Tract of Land together with all the appurtinances thereunto belonging unto them the said David Wright & Littleberry Wright their heirs & assigns forever The said Joseph Wright Jr. doth Covenant for himself his heirs & assigns that he will for ever warrant and defend the right & title of the aforesaid tract of Land against the claims of all persons whatsoever unto them the said David & Littleberry Wright their heirs & assigns for ever In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal the day & year first above written

Sign'd Seal'd deli-
vered in presence of
Joseph Wright
Martin G Wright
Benjamin Meadors

Joseph Wright

At a Court held for Franklin County December 5th 1814

This Deed of Gift from Joseph Wright Jr. To David Wright and Littleberry Wright was proved by the oath of Joseph Wright, Martin G. Wright and Benjamin Meadors the Witnesses hereto, and ordered to be recorded.

Teste,
Caleb Tate, C.F.C"

The 1815 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright S with the following property:

Dates of Receiving lists from individuals	Persons Names Charged with the Tax	No of white males above 16 years old
	Joseph Wright S	1

Slaves			Horses	Stud Horses		
over 9 and und 12 years old	over 12 years old	above 16 years old	Mules mares & Colts	No	Rate of Covering mares	no of head of Cattle
						6

Carrages					
2 wheel riding Carrages	Pheatons & Stage Waggons	Publick Stages	all other 4 Wheel Carrag	Mills	Tole bridges & Ferrys

	Free Male negros above 16 & under 45 years old	Watches				
Tax Yeards		Silver	Single Case Gold	Double Case Gold	Livery Stables	Houses in the Cuntry

Ice House		Clocks				
for private use	from Which Ice Is Sold	Works of Wood W Out Case	Works of Wood With Case	Works of Metal	of Vallu between 50 & 100	over $100

		Furniture				
Coal Pitts	Printers	Bureau & Bed Steds of Mahogany	Picturs & Glasses	Bureau & Book Cases	Total Pitchers and Decanters	Amount of Tax D C
						.18

The 1815 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright Sr(?) with the following property:

Names Of Owner	Residence	Estate	No of Acres of Land	Description of Land
Joseph Wright Sr(?)	Franklin	fee Simple	130	Stanton

Distance an Baring from the Court House	Rate of Land Per Acre	Total Vallua-tion of Land	Amount of Tax on Land	Explanation of Conveyances During the Preceding Year
20NE	.34	44.00	.37	

The will of 1815 Joseph Wright dated February 21, 1815, and probated on September 11, 1815, at Bedford County, Virginia, Superior Court Book A/15 listed Joseph Wright as one of his children:

> ". . . . 5thly I give and bequeath to my three eldest sons, Thomas, John & Joseph Wright and to my five daughters, Mary Greer, Agness Mayse, Judith McCormack, Patsy Mayse & Barsheba Simmons, and to the Heirs of my Daughter Nancy Meadors, decd. one hundred and fifty acres of Land in Franklin County, whereon my son Joseph Wright now lives. Also one hundred and thirty acres adjoining the same called Balls place to be equally divided between them . . . ."

1815 Joseph Wright's son Joseph was alloted Lot number 7 in Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 4/255 dated June 22, 1816, consisting of 310 acres in Bedford County, the legal description of which was as follows:

> "Lot No. 7. 310 acres in Bedford County Begining at a Beach on the Creek off north 75 West 60 poles north 30 West 37 poles to a Chesnut oak on Doe Hill north 60 West 86 poles to a white oak off Dividing Lines South 5 East 92 poles to a red oak at the head of a Branch thence Down the Same 164 poles thence to a Chesnut tree thence South 28 poles to the river thence Down to Morgans Corner thence with his Line to pointers South 78 East 70 poles to a White oak North 25 East 140 poles to a white oak north 37 west 40 poles to a poplar on the Creek thence up the Same to the Begining."

A plat of that lot is part of the Division and Allotment in W.B. 4/255 and appears above in connection with 1815 Joseph Wright. Using that plat it is possible to estimate the last

line of "to a poplar on the Creek thence up the Same to the Begining" as a distance of approximately 40 to 50 poles. Also, the line reading "to a red oak at the head of a Branch thence Down the Same 164 poles" can be estimated to have an angle of approximately S 14 W.

The 1816 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright Sr. with the following property:

Dates of Receiving lists from individuals	Persons Names Chargeable the Tax	No of white males above 16 years old
Apr 10	Joseph Wright Sr.	1

no of Slaves above 12 years old	No of Horses	Stud Horses No	Stud Horses $ Cts	2 wheeled riding Carriages & harness belonging thereto Not Exceeding in Vallue $100	2 wheeled riding Carriages & harness belonging thereto Exceeding in Vallue $100
1	2		-	-	-

Phaetons Slay Waggons & harness belonging thereto Not Exceeding in Vallue $200	Phaetons Slay Waggons & harness belonging thereto Exceeding in Vallue $200	Coaches & Harness belonging thereto Not Exceeding in Vallue $300	Coaches & Harness belonging thereto Exceeding in Vallue $300	Total Amount of Taxes $ Cts	
-	-	-	-	1.06	

The 1816 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright Sr(?) with the following property:

Names Of Owner	Residence	Estate	No of Acres	Description of Land
Joseph Wright Sr(?)	Franklin	in fee	130	Stanton

Distance an Bearing from the Court House	Rate of Land Per Acre	Total Vallua-tion of Land	Amount of Tax on Land	Explanation of Conveyances During the Preceding Year
20NE	.34	44.00	._	

The second Division and Allotment of 1815 Joseph Wright's estate dated August 22, 1816, and recorded on August 27, 1816, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 4/262 provided as follows with regard to Joseph Wright:

> "Joseph Wright who by the Will of his Father was entitled to a share in this land did before us relinquish all right and title to the same and says on account of a compromise which has taken place betwixt him and the Legatees of Joseph Wright Decd Therefore no land was alloted for him Given under our hands Date as above
>
> Lawrence McGeorge
> Leroy Jordan
> Tommey Wright
>
> At a court held for Bedford County at the court house the 27th Augt 1816
>
> This division & allotment of the Lands of Joseph Wright Decd was delivered to court & ordered to be recorded
>
> Teste
> J. Steptoe CBC"

The 1817 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright Sr with the following property:

Date of Receiving lists from individs	Persons Names Chargeable With the Tax	No of white males above 16
Apl 7	Joseph Wright Sr	1

No of Slaves above 12 uears old	No of head of Horses	Stud Horses Rate No per of Season	2 wheel riding Carriages & harness Not Exceeding in Vallue $100	Exceeding in Vallue $100
-	2	-	-	-

Phaetons Slays Wagons & harness Not Exceeding in Vallue $200	Exceeding in Vallue $200	Coaches & Harness Not Exceeding in Vallue $300	Exceeding in Vallue $300	Total Amount of Tax	Proof
-	-	-	-	.36	

The 1817 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Owners Names	Residence	Estate	No of Town Lots	Name of the Town
Joseph Wright		fee		

Yearly Rent of Lots	Amount of Tax on Lots	No. Acres of Land	Description of the Land
		310	on the same adj the above

Distance & bearings from the Court House	Rate of Land pr Acre	Total Amount of Land	Amount of Tax On Land @ $75 pr 100 Value	Total Amount Of Taxes On Lots & Land	Explanation of the item during the preceding year
	.55	176.70	1.32		

This record reflects the allotment of 310 acres to Joseph Wright by Bedford County W.B. 4/255.

The 1817 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright Senr with the following property:

Names Of Owner	Residence	Estate	No of Acres	Description of Land
Joseph Wright Senr	Franklin	in fee	380	Staunton

Distance & Baring from the Court House	Rate of Land Per Acre	Total Value of Land	Amount of Tax on Land	
20NE	.50	190.00	1.61	

As part of the compromise referred to in the Division and Allotment of 1815 Joseph Wright's land in Franklin County at Bedford County W.B. 4/262, 1844 Joseph Wright apparently received 250 acres of land in addition to the 130 acres on which he had been previously taxed and was thereafter described as Joseph Wright, Sr., and taxed on that 380 acres of land.

The 1818 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright S with the following property:

Date of Receiving Lists	Persons Names Chargeable With the Tax	No of white males above 16
April 3	Joseph Wright S	1

No Slaves over 16 yrs old	No Slaves over 12 & under 16 yrs old	Studs Rate No per of Season	2 wheel riding Carages Not exceeding in Vallu $100	Exceeding in Value $100
-	-	1 -	-	-

Phaetons & Stage Waggon not Exceeding in Vallue $200	Exceeding in Vallu $200	Total Amount of Tax	Proof
-	-	.18	

The 1818 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate	No of Town Lots	Name of Town
Joseph Wright		fee		

Yearly Rent of Lots	Amount of Tax on Lots	No. of Acres of Land	Description of Land
		310	same

Distance & bearings From the Court House	Rate of Land pr Acre	Total Amount of Land	Amount of Tax On Land at 75¢ per Value	Total Amount Of Taxes On Lots & Land
	.55	176.70	1.32	

The 1818 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright Sr with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate	No of Acres	Description of Land
Joseph Wright Sr	Franklin	in fee	380	Staunton

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Rate of Land Per Acre	Total Value of Land	Amount of Tax on Land	_____
20NE	.50	190.00	1.61	

On December 30, 1818, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 8/315 Joseph Wright sold 53 acres of land to Benjamin Meador:

> "This Indenture made this 30th day of December 1818, between Joseph Wright Sr of Franklin County of the one part, and Benjamin Meador of the other part Witnesseth that the said Joseph Wright for and in consideration of the sum of Two hundred and sixty five Dollars to him in hand paid, the receipt whereof he doth acknowledge hath granted, bargained and Sold, and by these presents doth grant, bargain, sell unto the said Benjamin Meador one certain tract or parcel of Land in Franklin County on the South side of Stanton River containing 53 acres and bounded as followeth to wit, Begining at a horn beam on the said River off South 22 West 40 Poles to a white oak, South 21 East 50 poles to a white oak on Linvill Creek, North 77 East 124 poles crossing the said Creek and waggon road to a black oak, North 5 West 70 poles to a beach on the said River, thence up the same as it meanders to the Begining together with all and singular the appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining, to have and to hold the said bargained Land and Premisses unto him the said Benjamin Meador his heirs and assigns forever and he the said Joseph Wright his heirs and assigns doth warrant and forever defend a good and lawful right and title in fee simple to the said Land and Premisses unto him the sd. Benjamin Meador his heirs and assigns forever free from the claim of him the said Joseph Wright his heirs and assigns or any other person or persons whatsoever. In Witness whereof he the said Joseph Wright hath hereunto set his hand and Seal, the day and year first above written.
>
> Joseph Wright Sr
>
> At the Clerk's office of Franklin County February 1st 1819
>
> This Indenture of Bargain and Sale between Joseph Wright Sr of the one part, and Benjamin Meador of the other part, was acknowledged by the said Joseph Wright Sr, and admitted to Record.
>
> Teste,
> Caleb Tate, C.F.C."

The 1819 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright Sn with the following property:

date of Receiving Lists from Individs	Persons Names Chargeable With the Tax	White Males 16 years of age	No of Slaves above 16 years of age
1	Joseph Wright Sn	1	-

No of Slaves above 12 & under 16 years of age	No of Horses	Stude Horses No of Studes	Rate per Season	2 wheel Riding Carrages Not exceeding in Vallue $100	Exceeding in Vallue $100
-	1	-	-	-	-

Pheatons & Stage Wagons Not Exceeding in Vallue $200	Exceeding in Vallue $200	Clocks Not Exceeding in Vallue $300	Exceeding in Vallue $300	Total Amount of Tax	Proof
-	-	-	-	.18	

The 1819 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate	No of Town Lots	Name of Town
Joseph Wright	prem	fee		

Yearly Rent of Lots	Amt of Tax on Lots	No. of Acres of Land	Description of Land
		310	same

Distance & bearing From the Court House	Rate of Land P Acre	Total Amount of Lands	Amount of Tax On Land at 75¢ P 100$ Value	Total Amount Of Tax On Lots & Land
	.55	176.70	1.32	

The 1819 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright Sr with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate	No of Acres	Description of Land
Joseph Wright Sr	Franklin	in fee	327	Stanton

Distance & Bearing from the Court House	Rate of Land Per Acre	Total Value of Land	Amount of Tax on Land	
20NE	.50	163.50		

This record reflects the sale of 53 acres of land by Franklin County Deed 8/315.

The 1820 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed one Joseph Wright with the following property:

Date of Receiving Lists from Individs	Persons Names Chargeable With the Tax	White Males 16 years of age	No of Slaves above 16 years of age
April 4	Joseph Wright	1	-

No of Slaves above 12 & under 16 years of age	Stude Horses			2 wheel Riding Carrages	
	No of Horses	No of Studes	Rate per Season	Not exceeding in Vallue $100	Exceeding in Vallue $100
-	1	-	-	-	-

Pheatons & Stage Wagons		Clocks			
Not Exceeding in Vallue$200	Exceeding in Vallue $200	Not Exceeding in Vallue $300	Exceeding in Vallue $300	Total Amount of Tax	Proof
-	-	-	-	.18	

Since 1829 Joseph F. Wright, who had previously been listed as Joseph Wright, Jr., in the Franklin County Personal Property Tax Lists, moved to Missouri in 1820, this Joseph Wright had to be 1844 Joseph Wright.

The 1820 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No. of Acres of Land	Description of the Land
Joseph Wright	Bedford	310	On the same Adj Ditto

Sum Distance and bearings from the Court house	added to the Land on Value of Land per Acre	account of the Building	Total Value	Amount of Tax ___ for every $100 Value	Remarks
17SW	1.25	150	387.50	.49	

The 1820 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owner	Residence	Estate	Number of Acres of Land	Description of the Land
Joseph Wright	Franklin	in fee	327	Stanton

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Vallue of Land Per Acre	Sum added to the on account of the Below	Total Vallue	Amount of Tax upon Land	Remarks
20 Miles NE	2.50		817.50	1.03	

The 1820 Census for Franklin County, Virginia, listed one Joseph Wright with the following household:

Names of Heads of Families	Free White Males	Age	Free White Females	Age
Joseph Wright	1	45+	1	45+

Foreigners	Number in Agriculture	Number in Commerce	Number in Manufacture
	1		

Male	Age	Slaves Female	Age	Free Colored Males	Age	Free Colored Females	Age

All Other Persons

It seems probable that this Joseph Wright was the son of 1815 Joseph Wright since the Franklin County Land Tax Lists for 1819 and 1820 listed his residence as in Franklin County and Bedford County Deed 17/206 dated February 5, 1822, after this census was taken, described that Joseph Wright as of Franklin County. The birth dates of Joseph Wright and his wife would, therefore, be between 1765 and 1775.

The 1821 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

date of Receiving Lists from Individs	Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses Mares Colts & Mules
Feb 5	Joseph Wright	-	2

Stude Horses		two wheeled riding and Harness		Phaetons & Stage Wagons & Harness	
No.	Dollars Cts	Not exceeding in Dollar $100	above the Vallue of $100	Not Exceeding in Vallue $200	above the Vallue of $200
-	-	-	-	-	-

Riding Carrages & Harness		
Not Exceeding in Vallue $300	above the Vallue $300	Amount of Tax
-	-	

The 1821 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple or for Life	N. Acres
Joseph Wright	Bedford	fee	310

Description of Land	Distance & bearing from the Court house	Value of land P acre including Buildings	Sum added to the Land on Acct Building
Adj the same	17SW	1.25	150

Total Value of Land and Buildings	Amount of Tax at the Rate of $100 Value	Explanation of alterations during the Preceding Year
387.50	.34	

The 1821 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright Sr. with the following property:

Names Of Owner	Residence	Estate	Numr of Acres of Land	Description of the Land
Joseph Wright Sr	Franklin	in fee	327	Stanton

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Vallue of Land per acre Including Bildings	Sum added to the Land on act of Bildings	Total Vallue of the Land & Bilding	Amount of Tax at the Rate of	Explana-tion __ during the Preceding Year ___
20 Miles NE	2.50		817.50	.74	

The 1822 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

date of Receiving Lists from Individs	Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses Mares Colts and Mules
March 4	Joseph Wright	-	1

Stude Horses		two wheeled riding Carriage & Harndss		Phaetons & Stage wagons & harness	
No.	Dollars Cts	Not exceeding in Dollar $100	above the Value of $100	Not Exceeding in Value $200	above the Value of $200
-	-	-	-	-	-

Riding Carrage& Harness		
Not exceeding in Value $300	above the Value of $300	Amount of Tax
-	-	.13½

The 1822 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	___	Description of Land
Joseph Wright	Bedford	310	Adj the same

Derscription & bearing from the Courthouse	Value of Land	Sum added to the Land on acct of the Buildings thereon ___	Total Value of Land	Amount of Tax on Land@ 9 cts p every $100 Value	Remarks
17SW	1.25		387.50	.34	

The 1822 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate	Number of Acres of Land	Description of the Land
Joseph Wright	Franklin	in fee	327	Staunton

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land per acre Including the Bildings	Sum added to the Land on act of the Bildings	Total Vallue of the Land & Bilding	Amt of Tax	Explana-tion of alterations during the Preceding Year ___
20 Miles NE	2.50		817.50	.74	

On February 5, 1822, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 17/206 Joseph Wright and his wife Clarissa of Franklin County sold a tract of 390 acres in Bedford County to Wilkins J. Hunt of Bedford County:

> "This Indenture made this 5th day of Febuary in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty two between Joseph Wright and Clarissa his wife of the County of Franklin of the one part and Wilkins J Hunt of the County of Bedford of the other part Witnesseth that the said Joseph Wright and Clarissa his wife for and in consideration of the Sum of five hundred dollars paid by the

Said Hunt have bargained Sold confirmed and delivered and by these presents do bargain Sell confirm and deliver unto him the said Wilkins J. Hunt his heirs or assigns forever a certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in the County of Bedford and bounded as follows Viz Begining at a poplar on the South East Side of Beaver Dam Creek in Richard McComacks line thence with his line S 37 1/3 E 63 poles to Matthew Wrights Corner White oak thence with his line S 21 3/4 W 142 poles to Lewis Morgans corner White oak thence with his lines N 78 1/3 W 95 poles to a Red oak thence S 21-1/2 W 176 poles to a pine S 87 W 36 poles to a White oak on the N E Bank of Stauntoun river thence up the same as it meanders to Barnett Paynes corner Red oak thence With his line N 4 3/4 W 311 poles to a Chestnut thence N 24-1/2 E 43 poles to the fork of a Branch thence up the Eastern fork of the same 145 poles to a Red oak in James Mayo line thence with his line N 1/4 W 116 poles to Bowleys corner White oak thence With his line S 57-1/2 E 86 poles to a chestnut oak on doe hill thence S 30 E 36 poles thence S 75 E 59 poles to a Peach on Beaverdam thence down the Same as it meanders to the Begining containing 390 acres more or less To Have and To Hold the Said land and premises With all the appurtenances thereunto belonging unto him the Said Wilkins J Hunt his heirs or assigns to his and their only proper use and behoof forever and they the said Joseph Wright and Clarissa his wife and their heirs shall and will warrant and forever defend the Same to the Said Wilkins J. Hunt against the lawful demand of all other persons. In Witness Whereof We have hereunto Set our hands & Seals date above

Signed Sealed & Deliv'd
In Presence of

his
Joseph X Wright
mark

her
Clarissa X Wright
mark

Bedford County To Wit

We William Shrewsbury and Lawrence McGeorge magistrates of the Said County do hereby certify that Joseph Wright and Clarissa his Wife parties to the within conveyance have duly acknowledged the Same before us on the fifth day of Febuary in the year 1822 and desired us to certify the Said acknowledgment to the Clerk of the County Court of Bedford in order that the Said conveyance may be Recorded and We do further certify that Clarissa Wright Wife of Joseph Wright parties to a certain deed for the Conveyance of real estate to Wilkins J Hunt bearing dated 5th Febuary 1822 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her she the Said Clarrissa White acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and

declared she had Willingly Signed Sealed & Delivered the Same and that she Wished not to retract it Given under our hands & Seals this 5th Febuary 1822

William Shrewsbury
Lawrence McGeorge

Bedford Clerks Office April 22nd 1822

This Deed between Joseph Wright and Clarissa his Wife of the one part and Wilkins J. Hunt of the other part was certified by two Magistrates for Said County & admited to Record.

Teste
JA Steptoe CBC"

A comparison of the legal description of Deed 17/206 to that of Lot number 7 from the Division and Allotment at W.B. 4/255 indicates that they relate to the same land:

Lot #7	Deed 17/206
N 75 W 60	S 75 E 59 to Beaver Dam Creek
N 30 W 37 to Doe Hill	S 30 E 36
N 60 W 86	S 57-1/2 E 86 to Doe Hill
S 5 E 92	N 1/4 W 116
Down branch 164	up Eastern fork of branch 145
S 28 to river	** (see below)
down river	up Stauntoun river
along Morgans line	S 87 W 36 to river, S 21-1/2 W 176
	** (see below)
S 78 E 70	N 78 1/3 W 95
N 25 E 140	S 21 3/4 W 142
N 37 W 40 to creek	S 37 1/3 E 63
up creek	down the Creek as it meanders

The legal description of Bedford County, Virginia, Deed 17/206 is taken out of order because it follows a reverse course from that of Lot number 7, but the similarity of the legal descriptions is obvious. At only two points do the descriptions differ, marked by "**" above. The first is where in lieu of "S 28 to the river" in Lot number 7, Deed 17/206 follows the line "Stauntoun river thence up the same as it meanders to Barnett Paynes corner Red oak thence with his line N 4 3/4 W 311 poles to a Chestnut thence N 24-1/2 E 43 poles to the fork of a Branch." This change in the description may account for

the difference in acreage between the two parcels. The second change is where the line described in Lot number 7 as merely Morgans line is given metes and bounds in Deed 17/206 which are very close to the approximations made from the plat in Bedford County W.B. 4/255 and shown on the plat above.

In any event the conclusion seems fair that the same parcel of land was involved in the sale in Bedford County Deed 17/206 as is described in Lot number 7 of Bedford County W.B. 4/255. And that means that the Joseph Wright who married Clarissa _____ was the son of 1815 Joseph Wright.

On January 3, 1823, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 10/193 Joseph Wright and Clary his wife sold with others a tract of 263 acres to Turner Brown:

> "This Indenture made this 3rd day of January 1823 between Joseph Wright and Clary his wife, and David Wright and Rhoda his wife of the County of Franklin, and Berry Wright and Benjamin Meador and Oney his wife of the County of Bedford of the one part, and Turner Brown of the County of Cumberland of the other part Witnesseth that the said Joseph Wright & Clary his wife, and David Wright and Rhoda his wife, and Berry Wright and Benjamin Meador & Oney his wife for and in consideration of the sum of Eleven hundred and thirty six Dollars to them in hand paid by the said Turner Brown, the recept whereof is hereby acknowledged hath granted bargained and sold and by these presents, doth grant, bargain & sell unto the said Turner Brown one certain tract or parcel of Land in the County of Franklin situate on stanton River and on both sides of linvill's Creek, containing Two hundred and sixty three acres be the same more or less and bounded as followeth, to wit, Begining at McCormack's corner horn beam on Stanton River thence off and along his line South 26-1/2 Degrees, West 39 poles to a white oak; South 21 Degrees, East 159 poles to a pine down South 74 Degrees West 41 poles to a maple on the Cow Branch, thence along Bashams line, South 69 Degrees West 202 poles to a small red oak, North 35 Degrees, East 40 poles to a red oak, North 7 Degrees, West 240 poles to a spruce pine on the River, thence up the River as it meanders to the begining To have and to hold the aforesaid Land & premisses together with the appurtenances unto him the said Turner Brown his heirs and assigns forever against the claim of the said Joseph Wright and Clary his wife, David Wright & Rhoda his wife, Berry Wright, Benjamin Meador and Oney his wife or either of them and against the lawful claim of all and every person & persons whatever.

In Witness whereof they have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals the day and year first above written.

Signed, sealed & delivered in the presence of
Benjamin Booth
Ste: Smith
John Turner
William Smith

Joseph his X mark Wright
Clary X her mark Wright
David X his mark Wright
Rhoda X her mark Wright
Berry Wright
Benjamin Meador
Oney X her mark Meador

Franklin County, To wit,

We Stephen Smith & Benjamin Booth Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Joseph Wright David Wright, Berry Wright & Benjamin Meador, parties to the within Deed, personally appeared before us in our County aforesd and acknowledged the same to be their act & deed & desired us to certify the said acknowledgment to the Clerk of County Court of Franklin in order that the said deed may be recorded. Given under our hands & Seals this 3rd day of January 1823.

Ste: Smith
Benjamin Booth

Franklin County, to wit,

We Stephen Smith and Benja: Booth Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Clary Wright the wife of Joseph Wright, Rhoda Wright, the wife of David Wright and Oney Meador the wife of Benjamin Meador, parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 3rd day of January 1823 and hereunto annexed, personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from their husbands and having the Deed aforesaid fully explained to them, they the said

Clary Wright, Rhoda Wright and Oney Meador acknowledged the same to be their act and deed, and declared that they had willingly sign'd seal'd & deliver'd the same & that they wished not to retract it. Given under our hands & seals this 3rd day of January 1823.

Ste: Smith
Benjamin Booth

At the Clerk's Office of Franklin County the 6th day of January 1823.

This Indenture of Bargain and sale between Joseph Wright and Clary his wife . . . . . David Wright and Rhoda his wife, Berry Wright, Benjamin Meador and Oney his wife of the one part, and Turner Brown of the other part, was exhibited into the Office and together with the certificates hereon endorsed admitted to record.

Teste
Caleb Tate C.F.C."

The 1823 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

date of Receiving Lists from Individs	Persons names Chargeable With Tax	Slaves above 12 years of Age	Horses Mares Colts & Mules
April 7	Joseph Wright	-	1

Stude Horses		two wheeled riding Carriage & Harness		Phaetons & Stage waggons & Harness	
		Not exceeding in	Exceeding in Vallue	Not exceeding in	exceeding in Vallue
No.	D C	Vallue$100	$100	Vallue $200	$200
-	-	-	-	-	-

Riding Carrage& Harness		
Not exceeding in Vallue$300	above the Vallue of $300	Amount of Tax
-	-	.12

The 1823 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Owners Names	Residence	Estate whether held for life or in fee	No. of Acres of Land	Description of Land
Joseph Wright	Franklin	in fee	147	Lunnville

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land per acre Including Buildings	Sum added to the Land on act of Buildings	Total Vallue of the Land & Buildings	Amount of tax on the value of	Explanation of alterations during the preceding Year
20 Miles NE	2.50		367.50	.30	

This record reflects the sale of 263 acres of land by Franklin County Deed 10/193, although there seems to be 83 acres too many in this listing.

On about February 7, 1824, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Joseph Wright joined other heirs of Joseph Wright to answer the complaint of Peter Dent for land due to him from the estate:

> "The joint answers of Joseph Wright Wright Wright Thomas Wright William McCormick & Judy his wife & Mary Greer by her agent and attorney in fact Green B. Greer as appears by the records of Franklin County to wit: to a Bill Exhibited against them and others in Bedford County court by Peter Dent these respondents, saving to themselves the benefit of exceptions to the sd Bill for answer say
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> That Peter Dent is entitled to the Land in the Bill mentioned and ought to have a title for the same that the Respondents Joseph Wright, Thomas Wright & William McCormack & his wife Judy have conveyed their interest in the same to the sd Dent before the suit by sd Dent was instituted and ought therefor to have their costs that the Respondent Mary Greer was willing to have conveyed the same but was out of the country that her husband is dead and she is willing to such

decree as will vest her right & Interest in the same in the sd Peter Dent and having fully answered pray to be dismissed with their costs &c

Thomas Wright Sr
William Mcomak
Joseph Wright
Greer B Greer
Agent as Attey in fact
for Mary Greer
Rite Wright

Franklin County Sct.

Thomas Wright in the annexed answer named appeared personally before me Sparrel Hale justice of the peace for sd County & made oath that the matters therein contained are true as far as they depend upon his own knowledge and that so far as they depend upon knowledge derived from others he believes them to be true

Given under my hand this 7th day day of Feby 1824

Spl Hale"

The 1824 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

date of Receiving Lists from Individuals	Persons names Chargeable With Tax	Slaves above 12 years of Age	Horses Mares Colts & Mules
Ap 27	Joseph Wright	-	1

No. of Studs	Dollars	2 Wheel Riding Carrages	4 wheel Riding and Harness	Amount of Tax
-	-	-	-	.12

The 1824 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate Whether held for life or in fee	No of Acres of Land	Description of the Land
Joseph Wright	Franklin	in fee	147	Staunton River

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Vallue of Land per acre Including Building	Sum added to the Land on account of Building	Total Value of Land & Buildings	Amount of tax at the Rate of pr	Explanation of alterations during the Preceding Year
20 NE	2.50		367.50	.30	

The 1825 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Date of Receiving Lists from Individuals	Persons names Chargeable With the Tax	Blacks over 12	Horses mares Colts & Mules
Feb 7	Joseph Wright	-	1

Amount of Tax	Carriages & Stallions	Remarks
.12		

The 1825 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate Whether held for life or in fee	Number of Acres of Land	Description of the Land
Joseph Wright	Franklin	in fee	147	Staunton River

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Vallue of Land per acre Including Building	Sum added to the Land on account of Building	Total Vallue of Land & Buildings	Amount of tax at the Rate of pr	Explanation of alterations during the Preceding Year
20 Miles NE	2.50		367.50	.30	

On February 7, 1825, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 19/142 Greenberry Greer, as attorney in fact for Mary Greer, Joseph Greer, and Benjamin Greer, the executors of Martin Greer, sold fifty acres of land in Bedford County on the Staunton River to Joseph Wright of Franklin County:

> "This Indenture made this 7th day of Febuary 1825 between Greenbery Greer attorney in fact for Mary Greer, Joseph Greer, and Benjamin Greer Executors and executrix of Martin Greer Deceased of Davison County and state of Tennessee of the one part, of Joseph Wright of Franklin County and state of Virginia of the other part Witness, that the said Greenberry Greer attorney in fact for and in consideration of the sum of two hundred dollars to him in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath granted bargained, and sold, and by these presents doth grant, bargain and sell unto him the said Joseph Greer one certain tract or parcel of land in Bedford County on Stanton river containing fifty acres it being the land allotted to Mary Greer the wife of Martin Greer Deceased out of the estate of Joseph Wright Decd by commissioners appointed by the County Court of Bedford and returned by them to the said Court the courses of the said land may be had by reference thereto. Together with all and singular the appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining. To have and to hold the said bargained land and premises unto him the said Joseph Wright his heirs and assigns forever. And he the said Greenbury Greer attorney &c doth warrant and forever defend a good and lawful right and title in fee simple the said land unto him the said Joseph Wright and his heirs and &c
>
> In Witness whereof the said Greenberry Greer attorney for Mary Greer Joseph Greer & Benjamin Greer Executors of Martin Greer Decd. hath hereunto set his hand and seal the date above written.
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> Green B. Greer
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> Franklin County Sct., We Robert Woods and Moses Greer Jr. Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the state of Virginia do hereby certify that Green B. Greer a party to a certain deed bearing date on the 7th day of February

1825 & hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid & acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and desired us to certify the said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Bedford in order that the said deed may be recorded. Given under our hands and seals this 7th day of Febuary 1825.

Robert Woods
Moses Greer Jr.

At a Court held for Bedford County at the Courthouse the 28th day of March 1825. This Indenture of bargain and sale was Certified by two Justices of the peace for Franklin County and ordered to be recorded.

Teste
Ja Steptoe CBC"

On February 7, 1825, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 11/112 Greenberry Greer, as attorney in fact, sold 15 acres of land to Joseph Wright:

"This Indenture made this seventh day of February one thousand eight hundred & twenty five between Greenberry Greer attorney in fact for Marey Greer, Joseph Greer, & Benjamin Greer Executors of Martin Greer Deceasd: of the County of Davidson & State of Tennessee of the one part & John Wright Senr of the County of Franklin & state of Virginia of the other part Witnesseth that the said Greenbury Greer for and in Consideration of the Sum of Sixty Dollars to him in hand paid the receipt whereof he doth hereby acknowledge have granted bargained and sold and by these presents do grant bargain & sell & confirm unto the said Joseph Wright his heirs and assigns forever one Certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in the County of Franklin containing fifteen acres be the same more or less it being the land allotted to Mary Greer the wife of Martin Greer Decd by Commissioners appointed by the County Court of Bedford to divid the lands of Joseph Wright decd between the heirs of the Said Wright and returned to the said Court by the Commissioners aforesaid the Corses of the said land may be had by Reference thereto together with all and Singular the right title & interest thereunto aperataining or in any wise belonging or apertaining to have and to hold the said land and bargained premises unto him the Said Joseph Wright forever & he the said Greenberry Greer attorney &c doth warrant and forever defend a good and lawful right and title in fee simple to the said land unto him the said Joseph Wright and his heirs &c In testimony whereof the said Greenberry Greer attorney for Mary Greer, Joseph Greer, & Benjamin Greer Executors of Martin Greer deceased hath set his hand & seal the day above Written

Green B Greer

At a Court held for Franklin County at the Courthouse on the 7" day of February 1825

This Indenture of bargain and Sale between Green B Greer attorney in fact for Mary Greer, Joseph Greer and Benjamin Greer executors of Martin Greer decd of the one part and Joseph Wright of the other part was acknowledged by the said Green B Greer and Ordered to be Recorded

Teste
Caleb Tate, c.f.c"

The 1826 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed two Joseph Wrights, one of whom had the following property:

Date of recg lists from Individuals	Names of persons Chargeable With the Tax	Slaves over 12	Horses &c
March 27	Joseph Wright	-	1

Stallions Carriages &c	Amt of Tax	Proof
-	.12	

This was probably 1844 Joseph Wright. The other Joseph Wright had two horses and was described as "(J son)" in 1828, probably standing for "John's son", while the Joseph Wright with one horse was described in 1828 as "S", probably for "senior", which would describe 1844 Joseph Wright.

The 1826 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate Whether held for life or in fee	Number of Acres of Land	Description of the Land
Joseph Wright	Franklin	in fee	147	Staunton
Ditto	"	"	15	

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Vallue of Land per acre Including Building	Sum added to the Land on account of Building	Total Value of Land & Buildings	Amount of Tax	

No record has yet been found to indicate how this additional 15 acres of land was acquired by Joseph Wright.

The 1826 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Acres	Description of Land
Joseph Wright	Franklin	50	On Stanton

Distance and Lying from the C. House	Value of Land pr Acre	Sum added to the Land for buildings thereon	Total Value of Land	List of Tax on Land at 8 cts for every $100 Valuation	Remarks
18SW	6.00		300.00	.24	

This record reflects the purchase of 50 acres of land by Bedford County Deed 19/142.

The 1827 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate Whether held for life or in fee	Number of Acres of Land	Description of the Land
Joseph Wright	Franklin		147	Stanton
Ditto			15	

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Vallue of Land per acre Including Building	Sum added to the Land on account of Building	Total Vallue of Land & Buildings	Amount of Tax	
20 NE	2.50		367.50	.30	
	6.00		90.00	.08	

The 1827 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	Description of Land
Joseph Wright	Franklin	50	On Stanton

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land pr Acre	Sum added to Land on a/c of Buildings Thereon	Total Value of Land	List of Tax on Land at 8 cts for every $100 Valuation	Remarks
18SW	6.00		300.00	.24	

The 1828 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright S with the following property:

Date of Receiving list from Individuals	Persons Names Chargeable With the Tax	Slaves over 12 years of age	Horses Mares Colts & Mules	Amount of Tax	
Feb 17	Joseph Wright S	-	1	.12	

The 1828 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate Whether held for life or in fee	Number of Acres of Land	Description of the Land
Joseph Wright	Franklin	in fee	147	Stanton
Ditto			15	

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Vallue of Land per acre Including Building	Sum added to the Land on account of Building	Total Vallue of Land & Buildings	Amount of Tax on Land	Explanation of alterations During the preceding Year
20 NE	2.50		367.50	.30	
	6.00		90.00	.08	

The 1828 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	Description of Land
Joseph Wright	Franklin	50	On Stanton

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land pr Acre	Sum added to Land on a/c of Buildings Thereon	Total Value of Land	List of Tax on Land at 8 cts for every $100 Valuation	Remarks
18SW	6.00		300.00	.24	

The 1829 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate whether Fee for life &c	Number of Acres	Situation of Land
Joseph Wright	Franklin	Fee	147	Staunton
"	"	"	15	"

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of Land Pr Acre including Buildings &c	Sum added to the Value of the Land on account of Improvements &c	Total Value of Land & Improvements	Amount of Tax on Land	Explanation of alterations During the preceding Year
20 NE	2.50	600.00	367.50	.30	
"	6.00	"	90.00	.08	

The 1829 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	Description of Land
Joseph Wright	Franklin	50	On Stanton

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land pr Acre	Sum added to Land on Act of the Buildings Thereon	Total value of Land	Amt of Tax on Land at 8 Cents for every $100 Valuation	
18SW	6.00		300.00	.24	

The marriage bond of Joseph Wright and Martha Pagan was dated on May 15, 1829, at Franklin County, Virginia:

> "A List of Marriages Solemnized by the subscriber by virtue of License from the Clerk of the County Court of Franklin to wit
> . . . .
>
> June 15 Joseph Wright to Martha Pagin
> . . . .
>
> given under My hand
>
> Stephen Wood"

This record indicates that Clarissa (Drake) Wright had died prior to May 15, 1829.

On November 6, 1829, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 12/538 Joseph Wright and Martha his wife and others sold 155 acres of land in Franklin County to John Basham:

"This Indenture made and entered into this 6" day of November 1829 between Joseph Wright and Martha his wife and Martin G Wright and Delila his wife all of the County of Franklin and state of Virginia of the one part and John Basham of the County and state aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth that for and in the consideration of the sum of Six hundred Dollars to them in hand paid by the said Basham the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath bargained and sold, and by these Presents doth bargain & sell unto the said Basham one certain tract or parcel of Land lying in the County of Franklin on Stanton river and being the lands whereon the said Wright now lives, and containing One hundred & fifty five more or less, and bounded by the lands of Turner Brown Thomas Nemoe Booker Preston John Turner James Maze William Drake decd and staunton river, together with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging unto him the said John Basham his heirs and assigns forever, and we the said Joseph and Martin G Wright doth for ourselves, our heirs forever warrant and defend a good & lawful write and title to within land and premises unto him the said John Basham his heirs & assigns free from the clame of us, our heirs & all other persons whosoever In Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands & seals the day and year above written

	Joseph	X	Wright
	Martha	X	Wright
their marks	Martin G	X	Wright
	Delilah	X	Wright

Franklin County To wit

We Benjamin Booth and Stephen Wood justices of the peace for the County of Franklin, do hereby certify that Joseph Wright & Martin G Wright parties to a certain Deed bearing date the 6" of November 1829 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our said County and acknowledged the same to be their act and Deed, and desired us to certify this their acknowledgement to the Clerk of our County Court in order that the Deed aforesaid may be recorded Given under our hands and Seals this 6" day of November 1829.

Benjamin Booth
Stephen Wood JP.

Franklin County to Wit

We Benjamin Booth Stephen Wood Justices of the peace for the County of Franklin do hereby certify that Martha Wright wife of Joseph Wright and Delila Wright wife of Martain G Wright parties to a certain Deed bearing date the 6" day of November 1829 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our said County and being examined by us seperate and apart from their said Husbands they acknowledged the same to be their act and Deed and declared that they the said Martha & Delila had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and wished not to retract retract Given under our hands and Seals this 6" day of November 1829

Benjamin Booth
Stephen Wood JP

At the Clerks Office of the County Court of Franklin the 7" day of December 1829 This Indenture of bargain and sale between Joseph Wright and Martha his wife and Martin G Wright and Delila his wife of the one part and John Basham of the other part was exhibited into the Office & together with the certificates hereon endorsed admitted to record.

Teste
Caleb Tate C.F.C."

On November 6, 1829, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 22/177 Joseph and Martha Wright sold fifty acres of land in Bedford County to Berry Wright:

"This Indenture made and entered into this the 6" day of November in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and twenty nine between Joseph Wright of the one part of the County of Franklin & state of Virginia & Berry Wright of the County of Bedford of the other part Witnesseth, that the said Joseph Wright for and in the consideration of the sum of two hundred dollars to him in hand paid the receipt whereof is acknowledged hath granted, bargained, and sold unto the said Berry Wright of the County of Bedford one certain tract or parcel of land containing fifty akers lying in the County of Bedford on Staunton river, it being the land that Mary Greer deceased of the estate of Joseph Wright Deceased, and beginning at an oak on Staunton river, thence along Samuel Morgans line and crossing branch and waggon road to a white oak, thence along Berry Wrights line to the river, thence up the river as it meanders to the first station To have & to hold the said tract of land together with all the appurtenancy thereunto belonging unto the said Berry Wright his heirs or assigns forever. And the said Joseph Wright and Martha his wife doth by these presents warrant and defend the rite and title of the said tract of land free from the claim or claims of them the said Joseph Wright and Martha his wife his heirs and from all other persons whatsoever unto

the said Berry Wright his heirs forever. In Witness whereof the said Joseph Wright & Martha his wife hath hereunto set their hands & seals the day and year above written.

Joseph Wright
Martha Wright

Franklin County to Wit. We Stephen Wood & Benjamin Boothe Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid and state of Virginia do hereby certify that Joseph Wright partie to a certain deed barring date on the 6th day of November 1829 hareunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and desired us to certify the said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Bedford in order that the said deed may be recorded. Given under our hands & seals the 6th day of November 1829

Stephen Wood
Benjamin Booth

Franklin County to wit. We Stephen Wood & Benjamin Boothe Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid and state of Virginia personally appeared Martha Wright wife of Joseph Wright parties to a certain deed barring date on the 6th day of November and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband & having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her she said Martha Wright acknowledged the same to be her act and deed & declared that she had willingly signed, sealed, and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it Given under our hands & seals this 6th day of Novemer 1829

Stephen Wood J.P.
Benjamin Booth

Bedford Clerks Office June 7th 1830

This Indenture of bargain & sale together with the Certificate of acknowledgement and relinquishment of dower thereto annexed, was produced in the Office & admitted to record.

Teste
R S Mitchell C.B.C."

By these last two deeds 1844 Joseph Wright divested himself of all of his land in Franklin and Bedford Counties in preparation for his move to Kentucky.

The 1830 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate whether in Fee or for life	Number of Acres	Situation of Land
Joseph Wright	Franklin	Fee	7	Staunton

Distance from C House	Bearing from C House	Value of Land Per Acre, including Buildings	Sum added to Value of Land for Improvements	Total Value of Land & Improvements
20	NE	6.00	600.00	42.00

Amount of Tax on Land	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding Year
.04	155 A. to John Basham

This record reflects the sale of 155 acres of land by Franklin County Deed 12/538. This record also reflects a subtraction of 155 acres from the previously listed 147 acres and 15 acres, but was eventually removed in 1840 since no land was apparently retained by 1844 Joseph Wright after his sales.

The 1830 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	Description of Land
Joseph Wright	Fr	50	On Stanton

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land P Acre	Sum added to the Land On Account of the Building Thereon	Total Value of Land	Amt of Tax on land at 8 Cents for Every $100 Value	
18SW	6.00		300.00	.24	

The 1830 Census for Franklin County, Virginia, listed only one Joseph Wright, described as Junior, with the following members of his household:

Males	Age	Females	Age
1	30-40	1	30-40
1	0-5	1	0-5

These ages place the birth dates between 1790 and 1800 and, therefore, could not be the same as the Joseph Wright who married Clarissa (Drake) Wright in 1793.

The History Of Union Baptist Church, Hardin County, Kentucky 1808-1867, by Mary Josephine Jones included a number of records about this family, including the following dispute:

"1830
April -

-- Joseph Wright received by letter.

1833
April - Joseph Wright brings a charge against Martin G. Wright for refusing to pay a just debt. Committee appointed to try to bring about a reconciliation and report.

May - The charge against Martin G. Wright for refusing to pay a debt to Joseph Wright taken up; after consideration, the church says Margin G. Wright shall pay his father the debt. Likewise, Martin G. Wright brings a claim against his father Joseph Wright for a loan mare which died in his hands; agreed by the church that Martin G. Wright shall have some compensation for the mare. Committee appointed to attempt to compromise, but the Wrights made a settlement which satisfied the church.

June - Letter received from Joseph Wright expressing dissatisfaction with the decision made in his case; committee appointed to cite him to attend next meeting to answer for his conduct in charging the church with injustice.

July - Joseph Wright failing to attend, committee appointment to cite him to attend next meeting.

August - Joseph Wright failing to attend, committee to cite him to attend next meeting.

September - Joseph Wright attended, and left the church disorderly and requested his name to be erased from the book; therefore, the church considers him no more of us.

The deed and census records in conjunction with the church records indicate that Joseph Wright and his wife Martha left Franklin County, Virginia, some time after November 6, 1829, and arrived in Hardin County, Kentucky some time before April 1830.

The 1831 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate whether in fee or for life	Number of Acres	Situation of Land
Joseph Wright	Franklin	Fee	7	Staunton

Distance from Ct House	Bearing from Ct House	Value of Land Per Acre, including Buildings	Sum added to Value of Land for Improvement	Total Value of Land & Improvements
20	NE	6.00	600.00	42.00

Amount of Tax	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
.04	

The 1832 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate whether in Fee or for life	Number of Acres	Situation of land
Joseph Wright	Franklin	Fee	7	Staunton

Distance from Court House	Bearing from Court House	Value of Land Per acre, Including buildings	Sum added to Land in Improvement	Total Value of Land and Improvements
20	NE	6.00	600.00	42.00

Amount of Tax	Explanation of alterations during the Preceding year
.04	

The 1833 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate whether in fee or for life	No of Acres	Situation of land
Joseph Wright	West	Fee	7	Staunton

Distance from Ct House	Bearing from Ct House	Value of land Per acre, Including buildings	Sum added to Land for Improvement	Total Value of Land and Improvements
20	NE	6.00	600.00	40.00

Amount of Tax	Explanation of alterations during the Preceding year
.04	

The 1834 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners of Land	Residence	Estate whether in fee or life	Number of Acres	Situation of land
Joseph Wright	not known	Fee	7	Staunton

Distance from C House	Bearing from Court House	Value of Land Per Acre	Sum added for Improvements	Total Value of Land & Improvements
20	NE	6.00	600.00	42.00

Amount of Tax of Land
.04

The 1835 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright not known with the following property:

Names of Owners of Land	Residence	Estate whether in fee or life	Number of Acres	Situation of land
Joseph Wright	not known	Fee	7	Staunton

Distance from C House	Bearing from Ct House	Value of Land Per Acre	Sum added for Improvements	Total Value of Land & Improvements
20	NE	6.00	600.00	42.00

Amount of Tax of Land	Explanations of Alterations during the Preceding Year
.04	

The 1836 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Names of Owner	Residence of Owners	Estate whether in fee or Life	Number of Acres	Situation
Joseph Wright	not known	Fee	7	Staunton

Distance from Ct House	Bearing from Ct House	Value of Land Per Acre	Value of Improvements	Value of Land Including Improvements
20	NE	6.00	200.00	42.00

Amount of Tax	Explanations of Alterations during the Preceding Year
.04	

The 1837 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Names of Owner	Residence of Owners	Estate whether in fee or Life	Number of Acres	Situation of Land
Joseph Wright	not known	Fee	7	Staunton

Distance from Ct House	Bearing from Ct House	Value of Land Per Acre	Value of Improvements	Value of Land Including Improvements
20	NE	6.00	200.00	42.00

Amount of Tax	Explanations of Alterations during the Preceding Year
.04	

The 1838 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence of Owners	Estate	No of Acres	Situation of Land
Joseph Wright	Franklin	Fee	7	Stanton
"	"	"	50	"

Distance	and Bearing from the Court House	Value of Land Per Acre	Value of Improvements	Value of Land Including Improvements
25	NE	6.00	200.00	42.00
"	"	1.00	"	50.00

Amount of Tax	Explanations of Alterations during the Preceding Year
.04	
.05	fm Thomas Dudley

This record incorrectly lists 1844 Joseph Wright as the purchaser of 50 acres of land, but the Joseph Wright of that purchase was Joseph Wright, the son of 1823 James Wright of Franklin County.

The 1839 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Names of Owner	Residence of Owners	Estate whether in fee or Life	Numbers of Acres	Situation of Land
Joseph Wright	Franklin	Fee	7	Stanton
"	"	"	50	"

Distance from Court House	Bearing from Court House	Value of Land Per Acre	Value of Improvements	Value of Land Including Improvements
25	NE	6.00	200.00	42.00
"	"	1.00	"	50.00

Amount of Tax	Explanations of Alterations during the Preceding Year
.05	
.05	

The 1840 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Joseph Wright with the following property:

Names of Owner	Residence of Owners	Estate whether in fee or Life	Numbers of Acres	Residence of Land
Joseph Wright	Franklin	in fee	7	Stanton
"	"	"	50	"

Distance from Court House	Bearing from the Court House	Vallue of Land Per Acre	Vallue of Improvements	Vallue of Land Including Improvements
25	NE	4.00	200.00	28.00
"	"	4.00	"	200.00

Amount of Tax	Expla of Alterations during the Preceding Year
.03	
.20	

The will of Joseph Wright was dated June 16, 1840, probated on October 21, 1844, at Hardin County, Kentucky, W.B. E/_, and provided as follows:

"In the name of God Amen

I Joseph Wright of Hardin County This sixteenth day of June One Thousand Eight hundred and forty being of sound mind and memory and in common helth and calling to mind the certainty of Death but the uncertainty of the hour when it may come do make and ordain this to be my last will and Testament. I recommend my soul to God and desire my Executor herein after named to have my body intered according to the Christian mode of Burying Item As to my estate my will and desire is that my just debts paid debts due me collected as soon as possible.

Item as for my chilren To wit David Wright Littlebury Wright and Martin G Wright has already received there full portion of my estate and my will and desire is that they shall receive one Dollar each and no more

Item I lend to my beloved Wife Martha all my estate during her natural life or the determination of her Widowhood and at her Death in Widowhood to be divided between my four youngest children equally (To wit) namely Elizabeth I Wright Francis M Wright Lueza Wright Mary Ann Wright to them and their heirs forever

Lastly I nominate and appoint my friend James Miller Executor of this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all other wills by me heretofore ever made Witness my hand and seal the day and date above written

Test		his	
Clement Holland	Joseph	X	Wright
John Miller		mark	

At a court began and held for Hardin County at the court house in Elizabeth Town on Monday the 21st day of October 1844 An instrument of writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of Joseph Wright Decd was produced in court and proven in due form of Law by the oaths of Clement Holland & Jno Miller the Two subscribing witnesses thereto to be the last will and

Testament of Joseph Wright and the same is established and ordered to be recorded.

Whereupon I have truly recorded the same in my office this 30th day of December 1844

Saml Haycraft Clk"

From the will the following family of 1844 Joseph Wright is confirmed:

Wife: Martha (____)

Children:
1) David Wright,
2) Littleberry Wright,
3) Martin G. Wright,
4) Elizabeth I. or J. Wright,
5) Francis M. or W. Wright,
6) Luiza Wright, and
7) Mary Ann Wright.

In her email dated May 14, 2001, Barbara Meger stated that the 1850 Census for Hardin County, Kentucky, listed Martha Wright with the following household on September 23, 1850:

Name	Age	Sex	Occupation	Real Estate	Born
Martha Wright	50	F			VA
Elizabeth Wright	20	F			KY
Louisa Wright	14	F			KY
Mary Ann Wright	10	F			KY
Francis M. Wright	17	M			KY

This record indicates that Martha (Pagin or Paggins) Wright was born in about 1800.

The declaration and assignment by Little Berry Wright, a son of Joseph Wright, Jr., dated June 19, 1873, and recorded at Meade County, Kentucky, D.B. P/137 has already been quoted above in connection with 1763 Thomas Wright. That declaration sets forth Littleberry's recollections of his family:

"Meade County State of Kentucky, United States of America the nineteenth day of June A.D. One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventh Three,

I Little Berry Wright of the County State and Country aforesaid was born March the 25th twenty ____ day One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety One in the State of Virginia near Bedford or Franklin County. My father was named Joseph Wright Jr. of Bedford County Virginia. he was a Son of Joseph Wright Sr. of the County of Bedford and State aforesaid who was my grandfather.

To the best of my Knowledge my grandfathers, Father was named Joseph Wright and moved from England to this Country before the Independence of the United States, and married a Miss Kemp, in the Territory now Known as the State of Maryland and afterwards removed to what is now Known as Bedford County Virginia and lived there until his death.

My Great Grand Father and mother had nine children, two Sons Joseph, and John. Seven daughters Elizabeth who never married and Dorcus are the only names of the daughters that I remember but Know that four of the girls married One married a man by the name of Smoot (?) but had no children by him the three others that were married married men by the names of May, Day & Scott,

My Grand Father had five children by his first wife which was my Grand mother the names of which was Thomas, Mary, Milly, John and Joseph, The names of the children by his Second wife was named Aggie Nancy, Basheba, Judith, Martha, Mathew & Wright-Wright making twelve in all. My own father Joseph Wright Jr. married Mary Cook for his first wife and had three children by her, named David, John & Berry, his first wife Mary Cook was my mother, He married for his second wife Clara Drake and had one child by her named Martin G. Wright, He married for his third wife Martha Poggins by whom he had four children named Elizabeth, Frank, Louise and Mary.

Martin G. Wright son of the said Joseph Wright by his Second wife Clara Drake married Delila McCormick by whom he had eleven children named Poling (?) - Riley - Elvira - Polisty - Lucretia Minerva - Clarinda - Joseph Henry - Gilbert - Sanford - Delila -

My Grand father raised me from my infancy and I recollect well that my Grand father had in his possession a chest of papers that was sent to his father from England in reference to a large amount of money coming to him from an estate in England and that he employed a man by the name of Joseph Penuell to go to England and get said money for him but he failed to go to England claiming that he was taken sick and could not go, and gave the papers back to my Grand father who put them back in the Chest. I staid with my Grandfather until his death, and his son Mathew Wright and his Son in law James Mays administered on his estate and after the Sale was over James Mays brought the chest of papers out and stated that the whole amount of the Sale was not worth anything compared with this meaning the chest of papers -

I myself married Elizabeth Meadows on the twentieth of December A.D. One Thousand Eight hundred and Seventeen in Bedford County Virginia and had by her ten daughters three of whom are dead, the names of those living are as follows. Marinda J. Stith, Drucilla F. Fife, Rhoda M. Pearman, Luticia Stith, Elizabeth Hudspeth, Oney Stith, Crittera Heagan.

Attest
H.C. Rawlings
R.C. Craycroft

L. B. Wright

Meade County Kentucky June the Nineteenth day One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy three. We the undersigned heirs of Joseph Wright dec do hereby apoint constitute and ordain Riley Wright as our legal and lawful agent and attorney in fact, to settle and colect to Sue or bring Suit and act for us, and it be binding in law as though we had signed them ourselves. to serch and obtain and get an estate that is in England coming to the Wright heirs and we bind Ourselves to pay to the Said Riley Wright all expenses that he may have to pay out on Said business each paying his proportional part of said cost and Expences, that the Said Riley Wright may have to pay in traveling, Lawyer fees Records etc and all other expences that he may be at as witness we the heirs of sd Estate we set our hands and seals day and date above mention.

his
L. B. X Wright
Mark
Marinda J. Stith
G. D. Wright
his
G.(?) T. X Wright
mark
James A. Miller
G. M. Frakes
J. T. Yates
Jas. D. Heskins
W. H. Frakes
Daniel G. Frakes - Witness S.C. Malin"

James K. Wright
W. J. Ritchie
M. R. C. Wright
John Morris
William Lockard Jr.
J. H. Wright
his
S. R.(?) X Wright
mark

From the declaration it seems clear that Joseph Wright, Jr.'s family consisted of the following:

1st Wife: Mary (Cook) Wright,

Children:
1) David Wright,
2) John Wright, and

3) Little Berry Wright

2nd Wife: Clarinda (Drake) Wright

Child: 1) Martin G. Wright

3rd Wife: Martha (Pagin) Wright

Children:
1) Elizabeth Wright,
2) Frank Wright,
3) Louise Wright, and
4) Mary Wright.

In her letter dated September 15, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff enclosed family group sheets which stated that Joseph Wright married Clarinda Drake on October 28, 1793, and that they had the following children:

1) David Wright, born in 1790 in Virginia;
2) Littleberry Wright, born in 1791 in Virginia; and
3) Martin G. Wright, born in 1795 in Virginia.

Mrs. Deardorff also stated that Joseph Wright married Martha Pagin as his third wife on June 15, 1829, at Franklin County, Virginia, and that they had the following children:

1) Elizabeth (Wright) Benham, born in 1830 in Kentucky;
2) Francis Wright;
3) Louisa Wright, born in 1836 in Kentucky; and
4) Mary Ann (Wright) Hudspeth, born in 1840.

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below the children of 1844 Joseph Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and Mary (Cook) Wright were the following:

1) David Wright, born about 1790 at Virginia,
2) John Wright, born probably before October 28, 1793, and
3) Littleberry Wright, born on May 25, 1791, at Bedford or Franklin County, Virginia,

the only child of 1844 Joseph Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and Clarissa "Clary" (Drake) Wright was the following:

1) Martin G. Wright, born between 1794 and 1800 or about 1795 at Franklin County, Virginia, and

the children of 1844 Joseph Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and Martha (Pagin or Paggins) Wright were the following:

1) Elizabeth J. (Wright) Benham, born in 1830 at Kentucky,
2) Louisa Wright, born in 1832 at Kentucky,
3) Francis W. or M. Wright, born in 1833, and
4) Mary Ann (Wright) Hudspeth, born in 1840 at Kentucky.

a. 1872 David Wright Of Hardin County, Kentucky, His Wife Rhoda A. (Yates) Wright, And His Descendants

1872 David Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, was a son of 1844 Joseph Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and Mary (Cook) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3])

The 1809 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed David Wright with the following property:

date of Rec Lists	Persons Names that own Property	Whites	B over 16	Blacks over 12
	David Wright	1	-	-

Horses	___	___	____	Tax
1	-	-	-	- 12

The 1810 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Daved Wright with the following property:

____	Persons Names that own Property	Whites	Black over 16	B over 12 & under 16
	Daved Wright	1	-	-

Horses	___	___	____	Tax
2	-	-	-	- 24

The marriage bond of David Wright and Rhoda Yates, daughter of Jany, was dated on May 12, 1810, at Franklin County, Virginia, with Elias Yates as surety:

"Sir please to give licens between my daughter Rhody and David Wright and you will much Oblige yours Mr James Steptoe

Test — Jany X Yates
Elias Yates — May 12th 1810

Know all Men by these presents that we David Wright & Elias Yates are held and firmly bound unto John Tyler Esqr Governor or chief Magistrate of the state of Virginia in the sum of One hundred and fifty Dollars current money of Virginia for the true payment of which to the said Governor or his successors for the use of the state we bind ourselves and each of us our and each of our heirs &c jointly & severally firmly by these presents sealed with our seals and dated this 12 day of May 1810 The Condition of the above Obligation is such that whereas there is a marriage shortly intended to be had and solemnized between the above bound David Wright & Rhoda Yates - Now if there be no lawful cause to obstruct the said Marriage then this Obligation to be void else to remain in full force and virtue

Signed Sealed & ackd) In presence of)

his
David X Wright
mark

his
Elias X Yates
mark"

The 1813 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed David Wright with the following property:

____	Persons Names that own property	White tithes	Blacks over 16	Blacks over 12 & under 16
	David Wright	1	-	-

Horses	___	___	____	Tax
-	-	-	-	- 16

The 1814 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed David Wright with the following property:

____	Persons names that own property	White tithes	Blacks over 16	Blacks 12 & under 16
	David Wright	1	-	-

Horses	Griss Mer-chant Mills	Rent	Saw Mills	Rent	Forges	Valu-ation
2	-	-	-	-	-	-

Cariages	Valu-ation	Stud Horses	Rate per Season	___	Valu-ation	___
-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Valu-ation	Free negroes & Mulatoes	Merchant License	___	___
-	-	-	-	- 42

On October 3, 1814, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 7/205 Joseph Wright, Sr., of Bedford County gifted a tract of 130 acres on Linvills Creek to David Wright and Littleberry Wright:

> "This Indenture made & entered into this third day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & fourteen between Joseph Wright Jr of the County of Bedford & State of Virginia of the one part & David Wright & Littleberry Wright both of the County of Franklin & State aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth that the said Joseph Wright for & in consideration of the love & good will which he has for the said David & Littleberry Wright hath this day granted & confirmed and by these presents doth grant alien & confirm to the said David Wright & Littleberry Wright one certain tract of Land containing one hundred & thirty Acres Situate in the County of Franklin & lying on the waters of Linvills Creek & Bounded as follows viz. Begining at a red oak thence S 33-1/2 W 32 poles to a post Oak thence along John Bashams lines S 45- 1/2 W 55 poles to Post Oak S _ W 24 poles to Hickory on Branch S 76 W 27 poles to red oak S 53 W 56 poles to post Oak thence new line N 36 W 66 W pole to a Maple on the Cow Branch thence down the said Branch as it meanders to a maple off thence N 64-1/2 E 38 poles to pine S 64 E 67 poles to a white Oak S 80 E 122 poles to the first station To have and to hold the aforesaid Tract of Land together with all

the appurtinances thereunto belonging unto them the said David Wright & Littleberry Wright their heirs & assigns forever The said Joseph Wright Jr. doth Covenant for himself his heirs & assigns that he will for ever warrant and defend the right of title of the aforesaid tract of Land against the claims of all persons whatsoever unto them the said David & Littleberry Wright their heirs & assigns for ever an Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal the day & year first above writteh

Sign'd Seal'd deli-
vered in presence of
Joseph Wright
Martin G Wright
Benjamin Meador

Joseph Wright

At a Court held for Franklin County December 5th 1814

This Deed of Gift from Joseph Wright Jr. To David Wright and Littleberry Wright was proved by the oath of Joseph Wright, Martin G. Wright and Benjamin Meadors the Witnesses hereto, and ordered to be recorded.

Teste,
Caleb Tate, C.F.C"

The 1815 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed David Wright with the following property:

Dates of Receiving lists from individuals	Persons Names Charged with the Tax	No of white males above 16 years old
	David Wright	1

Slaves			Horses Mules mares & Colts	Stud Horses		no of head of Cattle
over 9 and und 12 years old	over 12 years old	above 16 years old		No	Rate of Covering mares	
						1

Carrages					
2 wheel riding Carrages	Pheatons & Stage Waggons	Publick Stages	all other 4 Wheel Carrag	Mills	Tole bridges & Ferrys

Tax Yeards	Free Male negros above 16 & under 45 years old	Watches			Livery Stables	Houses in the Cuntry
		Silver	Single Case Gold	Double Case Gold		

Ice House		Clocks				
for private use	from Which Ice Is Sold	Works of Wood W out Case	Works of Wood With Case	Works of Metal	of Vallu between 50 & 100	over $100

		Furniture				
Coal Pitts	Printers	Bureau & Bed Steds of Mahogany	Picturs & Glasses	Bureau & Book Cases	Total Pitchers and Decanters	Amount of Tax D C

.21

The 1816 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed David Wright with the following property:

Dates of Receiving lists from individuals	Persons Names Chargeable the Tax	No of white males above 16 years old
Apr 10	David Wright	1

no of Slaves above 12 years old	No of Horses	Stud Horses No $ Cts	2 wheeled riding Carriages & harness belonging thereto	
			Not Exceeding in Value $100	Exceeding in Vallue $100
-	1	-	-	-

Phaetons Slay Waggons & harness belonging thereto Not Exceeding in Vallue $200	Exceeding in Vallue $200	Coaches & Harness belonging thereto Not Exceeding in Vallue $300	Exceeding in Vallue $300	Total Amount of Taxes $ Cts	
-	-	-	-	.18	

The 1817 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed David Wright with the following property:

Date of Receiving lists from individs	Persons Names Chargeable With the Tax	No of white males above 16
Apl 7	David Wright	1

No of Slaves above 12 years old	No of head of Horses	Stud Horses Rate No per of Season	2 wheel riding Carriages & harness Not Exceeding in Vallue $100	Exceeding in Vallue $100
-	1	-	-	-

Phaetons Slays Wagons & harness Not Exceeding in Vallue $200	Exceeding in Vallue $200	Coaches & Harness Not Exceeding in Vallue $300	Exceeding in Vallue $300	Total Amount of Tax	Proof
-	-	-	-	.18	

The 1817 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed David & Berry Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owner	Residence	Estate	No of Acres	Description of Land
David & Berry Wright	Franklin	in fee	130	Staunton

Distance& Baring from the Court House	Rate of Land Per Acre	Total Value of Land	Amount of Tax on Land	
20NE	.50	65.00	.49	

This record reflects the gift of 130 acres of land to David and Littleberry Wright by Franklin County Deed 7/205.

The 1818 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed David Wright with the following property:

Date of Receiving Lists	Persons Names Chargeable With the Tax	No of white males above 16
April 22	David Wright	1

No Slaves over 16 yrs old	No Slaves over 12 & under 16 yrs old	Studs Rate No of Season	2 wheel riding Carages Not exceeding in Vallu $100	Exceeding in Value $100
-	-	1 -	-	-

Phaetons & Stage Waggons not Exceeding in Vallue $200	Exceeding in Vallu $200	Total Amount of Tax	Proof
-	-	.18	

The 1818 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed David & Berry Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate	No of Acres	Description of Land
David & Berry Wright	Franklin	in fee	130	Linville

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Rate of Land Per Acre	Total Value of Land	Amount of Tax on Land	
20NE	.50	65.00	.49	

The 1819 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed David Wright with the following property:

date of Receiving Lists from Individs	Persons Names Chargeable With the Tax	White Males 16 years of age	No of Slaves above 16 years of age
1	David Wright	1	-

No of Slaves above 12 & under 16 years of age	Stude Horses: No of Horses	Stude Horses: No of Studes	Stude Horses: Rate per Season	2 wheel Riding Carrages: Not exceeding in Vallue $100	2 wheel Riding Carrages: Exceeding in Vallue $100
-	2	-	-	-	-

Pheatons & Stage Wagons: Not Exceeding in Vallue $200	Pheatons & Stage Wagons: Exceeding in Vallue $200	Clocks: Not Exceeding in Vallue $300	Clocks: Exceeding in Vallue $300	Total Amount of Tax	Proof
-	-	-	-	.36	

The 1819 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed David & Berry Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate	No of Acres	Description of Land
David & Berry Wright	Franklin	in fee	130	Linville

Distance & Bearing from the Court House	Rate of Land Per Acre	Total Value of Land	Amount of Tax on Land	
20NE	.50	65.00		

The 1820 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed David Wright with the following property:

Date of Receiving Lists from Individs	Persons Names Chargeable With the Tax	White Males 16 years of age	No of Slaves above 16 years of age
April 4	David Wright	1	-

		Stude Horses		2 wheel Riding Carrages	
No of Slaves above 12 & under 16 years of age	No of Horses	No of Studes	Rate per Season	Not exceeding in Vallue $100	Exceeding in Vallue $100
-	3	-	-	-	-

Pheatons & Stage Wagons		Clocks			
Not Exceeding in Vallue $200	Exceeding in Vallue $200	Not Exceeding in Vallue $300	Exceeding in Vallue $300	Total Amount of Tax	Proof
-	-	-	-	.54	

The 1820 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed David & Berry Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owner	Residence	Estate	Number of Acres of Land	Description of the Land
David & Berry Wright		in fee	130	Linvell

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Vallue of Land Per Acre	Sum added to the on account of the Below	Total Vallue	Amount of Tax upon Land	Remarks
20 Miles NE	2.00		260.00	.33	

The 1820 Census for Franklin County, Virginia, listed David Wright with the following household:

Names of Heads of Families	Free White Males	Age	Free White Females	Age
David Wright	1	26-45	1	16-26
	4	0-10	1	0-10

Foreigners	Number in Agriculture	Number in Commerce	Number in Manufacture
	1		

Male	Age	Slaves Female	Age	Free Colored Males	Age	Free Colored Females	Age

All Other Persons

This record indicates that David Wright was born between 1775 and 1794 and that Rhoda (Yates) Wright was born between 1794 and 1804. In conjunction with the marriage bond, this record indicates that she was born about 1794.

The 1821 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed David Wright with the following property:

date of Receiving Lists from Individs	Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses Mares Colts & Mules
Feb 5	David Wright	-	3

Stude Horses		two wheeled riding and Harness		Phaetons & Stage Wagons & Harness	
No.	Dollars Cts	Not exceeding in Dollar $100	above the Vallue of $100	Not Exceeding in Vallue $200	above the Vallue of $200
-	-	-	-	-	-

Riding Carrages& Harness			
Not Exceeding in Vallue $300	above the Vallue $300	Amount of Tax	
-	-		

The 1821 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed David & Berry Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owner	Residence	Estate	Numr of Acres of Land	Description of the Land
David & Berry Wright	Franklin	in fee	130	Linvill

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Vallue of Land per acre Including Bildings	Sum added to the Land on act of Bildings	Total Vallue of the Land & Bilding	Amount of Tax at the Rate of	Explanation during the Preceding Year
20 Miles N	2.00		260.00	.24	

The 1822 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed David Wright with the following property:

date of Receiving Lists from Individs	Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses Mares Colts and Mules
March 4	David Wright	-	2

Stude Horses		two wheeled riding Carriage & Harndss		Phaetons & Stage wagons & harness	
No.	Dollars Cts	Not exceeding in Dollar $100	above the Value of $100	Not Exceeding in Value $200	above the Value of $200
-	-	-	-	-	-

Riding Carrage & Harness			
Not exceeding in Value $300	above the Value of $300	Amount of Tax	
-	-	.27	

The 1822 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed David & Berry Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate	Number of Acres of Land	Description of the Land
David & Berry Wright	Franklin	in fee	30	Staunton

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land per acre Including the Bildings	Sum added to the Land on act of the Bildings	Total Vallue of the Land & Bilding	Amt of Tax	Explanation of alterations during the Preceding Year
20 Miles NE	2.00		60.00	.06	

On January 3, 1823, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 10/193 David Wright and Rhoda Wright, Joseph Wright and Clary Wright, Berry Wright, Benjamin Meador and Oney Meador sold a tract of 263 acres to Turner Brown:

> "This Indenture made this 3rd day of January 1823 between Joseph Wright and Clary his wife, and David Wright and Rhoda his wife of the County of Franklin, and Berry Wright and Benjamin Meador and Oney his wife of the County of Bedford of the one part, and Turner Brown of the County of Cumberland of the other part Witnesseth that the said Joseph Wright & Clary his wife, and David

Wright and Rhoda his wife, and Berry Wright and Benjamin Meador & Oney his wife for and in consideration of the sum of Eleven hundred and thirty six Dollars to them in hand paid by the said Turner Brown, the recept whereof is hereby acknowledged hath granted bargained and sold and by these presents, doth grant, bargain & sell unto the said Turner Brown one certain tract or parcel of Land in the County of Franklin situate on stanton River and on both sides of linvill's Creek, containing Two hundred and sixty three acres be the same more or less and bounded as followeth, to wit, Begining at McCormack's corner horn beam on Stanton River thence off and along his line South 26-1/2 Degrees, West 39 poles to a white oak; South 21 Degrees, East 159 poles to a pine down South 74 Degrees West 41 poles to a maple on the Cow Branch, thence along Bashams line, South 69 Degrees West 202 poles to a small red oak, North 35 Degrees, East 40 poles to a red oak, North 7 Degrees, West 240 poles to a spruce pine on the River, thence up the River as it meanders to the begining To have and to hold the aforesaid Land & premisses together with the appurtenances unto him the said Turner Brown his heirs and assigns forever against the claim of the said Joseph Wright and Clary his wife, David Wright & Rhoda his wife, Berry Wright, Benjamin Meador and Oney his wife or either of them and against the lawful claim of all and every person & persons whatever. In Witness whereof they have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals the day and year first above written.

Signed, sealed & delivered in the presence of
Benjamin Booth
Ste: Smith
John Turner
William Smith

his
Joseph X Wright
mark
her
Clary X Wright
mark
his
David X Wright
mark
her
Rhoda X Wright
mark
his
Berry Wright
Benjamin Meador
her
Oney X Meador
mark

Franklin County, To wit,

We Stephen Smith & Benjamin Booth Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Joseph Wright David Wright, Berry Wright & Benjamin Meador, parties to the within Deed, personally appeared before us in our County aforesd and acknowledged the same to be their act & deed & desired us to certify the said acknowledgment to the Clerk of County Court of Franklin in order that the said deed may be recorded. Given under our hands & Seals this 3rd day of January 1823.

Ste: Smith
Benjamin Booth

Franklin County, to wit,

We Stephen Smith and Benja: Booth Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Clary Wright the wife of Joseph Wright, Rhoda Wright, the wife of David Wright and Oney Meador the wife of Benjamin Meador, parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 3rd day of January 1823 and hereunto annexed, personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from their husbands and having the Deed aforesaid fully explained to them, they the said Clary Wright, Rhoda Wright and Oney Meador acknowledged the same to be their act and deed, and declared that they had willingly sign'd seal'd & deliver'd the same & that they wished not to retract it. Given under our hands & seals this 3rd day of January 1823.

Ste: Smith
Benjamin Booth

At the Clerk's Office of Franklin County the 6th day of January 1823.

This Indenture of Bargain and sale between Joseph Wright and Clary his wife . . . . . David Wright and Rhoda his wife, Berry Wright, Benjamin Meador and Oney his wife of the one part, and Turner Brown of the other part, was exhibited into the Office and together with the certificates hereon endorsed admitted to record.

Teste
Caleb Tate C.F.C."

The 1823 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed David Wright with the following property:

date of Receiving Lists from Individs	Persons names Chargeable With Tax	Slaves above 12 years of Age	Horses Mares Colts & Mules
April 7	David Wright	-	1

Stude Horses		two wheeled riding Carriage & Harness		Phaetons & Stage waggons & Harness	
		Not exceeding in	Exceeding in Vallue	Not exceeding in	exceeding in Vallue
No.	D C	Vallue $100	$100	Vallue $200	$200
-	-	-	-	-	-

Riding Carrage & Harness			
Not exceeding in Vallue $300	above the Vallue of $300	Amount of Tax	
-	-	.12	

The will of Joseph Wright dated June 16, 1840, and probated on October 21, 1844, at Hardin County, Kentucky, W.B. E/_ listed David Wright as one of his children:

> ". . . . Item as for my chilren To wit David Wright Littlebury Wright and Martin G Wright has already received there full portion of my estate and my will and desire is that they shall receive one Dollar each and no more . . . ."

In her email dated May 14, 2001, Barbara Meger stated that the 1850 Census for Hardin County, Kentucky, listed David Wright with the following household on October 26 to 28, 1850:

Name	Age	Sex	Occupation	Real Estate	Born
David Wright	60	M	Farmer	$1,000	VA
Rhoda Wright	58	F			VA
David L. Wright	21	M			KY
George W. Wright	19	M			KY
Druzilla Wright	17	F			KY

This record indicates that David Wright was born in about 1790 and that Rhoda (Yates) Wright was born in about 1792.

The Declaration and Assignment of Little Berry Wright dated June 19, 1873, and recorded at Meade County, Kentucky, D.B. P/137 listed David Wright as a child of Joseph Wright, Jr.:

> ". . . . My own father Joseph Wright Jr. married Mary Cook for his first wife and had three children by her, named David, John & Berry, his first wife Mary Cook was my mother, He married for his second wife Clara Drake and had one child by her named Martin G. Wright, He married for his third wife Martha Poggins by whom he had four children named Elizabeth, Frank, Louise and Mary. . . ."

In her letter dated February 26, 2001, Maebeth Guyton enclosed an excerpt from Biographical Souvenir Of The State Of Texas, F. A. Battey & Company, Chicago, 1889, which stated: as follows:

> "Greenberry F. Wright was born in Hardin county, Kentucky, February 13, 1823. His father, David C. Wright, was a native of Virginia, who removed to Kentucky in October, 1822, and died in that State in 1872. The wife of David C. bore the maiden name of Rhoda A. Yates, a daughter of John C. Yates, and bore her husband the following children - Otis G., Mary A., John C., Silas T., Josephus, Harrison T. Greenberry F., Martin D., Thomas C., David L. and George W. . . . ."

In her letter dated October 17, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff enclosed family group sheets which stated that David Wright married Rhoda Yates, that the 1850 Census of Hardin County, Kentucky, listed David Wright as 60 years old, placing his birth in about 1790, and that David Wright and Rhoda (Yates) Wright had the following children:

1) Otis or Oaty Wright, born about 1810 in Virginia;
2) John Wright;
3) Silas T. Wright, born on February 14, 1818, at Bedford County, Virginia;
4) David L. Wright, born about 1829;
5) George W. Wright, born about 1831; and
6) Druzilla Wright, born about 1833.

In his email dated October 11, 2000, John Miller enclosed an email from Maebeth Guyton which stated that David C. Wright was born in 1790 at Virginia,

married Rhoda (Yates) Wright on August 12, 1810, moved in October 1822 to Kentucky, resided in 1850 at Hardin County, Kentucky, and died in 1872 at Hardin County, Kentucky, that Rhoda (Yates) Wright was born in 1792, and that David C. Wright and Rhoda (Yates) Wright had the following children:

1) Otis G. Wright,
2) Mary A. Wright,
3) John C. Wright,
4) Silas T. Wright, born on February 14, 1818,
5) Josephus Wright,
6) Harrison T. Wright,
7) Greenbury Franklin Wright, born on February 13, 1823, at Hardin County, Kentucky,
8) Martin D. Wright,
9) Thomas C. Wright,
10) David L. Wright, born in about 1829,
11) George W. Wright, born in about 1831, and
12) Druzilla Wright, born in about 1833.

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below the children of David Wright and Rhoda (Yates) Wright were the following:

1) Otis or Oaty Wright, born about 1810,
2) Mary A. Wright,
3) John C. Wright,
4) Silas T. Wright, born on February 14, 1818, at Bedford County, Virginia,
5) Josephus Wright,
6) Harrison T. Wright,
7) Greenbury Franklin Wright, born on February 13, 1823, at Hardin County, Kentucky,
8) Martin D. Wright,
9) Thomas C. Wright,
10) David L. Wright, born about 1829,

11) George W. Wright, born about 1831, and

12) Druzilla Wright, born about 1833.

I. Otis Or Oaty G. Wright, His Wife Mary Perlina (Wright) Wright, And His Descendants

Otis or Oaty G. Wright was a son of 1872 David Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and Rhoda (Yates) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], 1872 David[4])

In her email dated May 14, 2001, Barbara Meger stated that the 1850 Census for Hardin County, Kentucky, listed Ode Wright with the following household on October 26 to 28, 1850:

Name	Age	Sex	Occupation	Real Estate	Born
Ode Wright	40	M	Farmer	$300	KY
Mary Wright	30	F			KY
Columbus Wright	14	M			KY
Harrison Wright	12	M			KY
Simeon Wright	8	M			KY
John M. Wright	6	M			KY
Rhoda A. Wright	2	F			KY

This record indicates that Otis or Otey Wright was born in about 1810 and that Mary (Wright) Wright was born in about 1820, but incorrectly lists Otis Wright's place of birth as Kentucky rather than Virginia.

The declaration of Littleberry Wright dated June 19, 1873, at Meade County, Kentucky, D. B. P/139 stated that his half-brother Martin G. Wright had eleven children, including Poling(?) Wright:

> ". . . . Martin G. Wright son of the said Joseph Wright by his Second wife Clara Drake married Delila McCormick by whom he had eleven children named Poling (?) - Riley - Elvira - Polisty - Lucretia Minerva - Clarinda - Joseph Henry - Gilbert - Sanford - Delila - . . . ."

In her letter dated February 26, 2001, Maebeth Guyton enclosed an excerpt from Biographical Souvenir Of The State Of Texas, F. A. Battey & Company, Chicago, 1889, which stated: as follows:

"Greenberry F. Wright was born in Hardin county, Kentucky, February 13, 1823. His father, David C. Wright, was a native of Virginia, who removed to Kentucky in October, 1822, and died in that State in 1872. The wife of David C. bore the maiden name of Rhoda A. Yates, a daughter of John C. Yates, and bore her husband the following children - Otis G., Mary A., John C., Silas T., Josephus, Harrison T. Greenberry F., Martin D., Thomas C., David L. and George W. . . . ."

In her letter dated October 17, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff enclosed family group sheets which stated that Otis or Oaty Wright was a son of David Wright and Rhoda (Yates) Wright, was born in about 1810, and married Mary Perlina ____ on August 1, 1831, at Hardin County, Kentucky, and that they had the following children:

1) Columbus Wright, born about 1836,
2) Harrison Wright, born about 1838,
3) Simeon Wright, born about 1842,
4) John M. Wright, born about 1844, and
5) Rhoda A. Wright, born about 1848.

In her letters dated September 15, 1979, and October 17, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff enclosed family group sheets which stated that Mary Perlina Wright was a daughter of Martin G. Wright and Delilah (McCormack) Wright, was born in 1816 and married Otis "Oatey" Wright on August 1, 1831, at Hardin County, Kentucky.

In his email dated October 11, 2000, John Miller enclosed an email from Maebeth Guyton which stated that Otis Wright was a son of David Wright and Rhoda (Yates) Wright.

ii. Mary A. (Wright) Turner, Her Husband Alfred Turner, And Her Descendants

Mary A. (Wright) Turner was a daughter of 1872 David Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and Rhoda (Yates) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], 1872 David[4])

In her letter dated February 26, 2001, Maebeth Guyton enclosed an excerpt from Biographical Souvenir Of The State Of Texas, F. A. Battey & Company, Chicago, 1889, which stated: as follows:

"Greenberry F. Wright was born in Hardin county, Kentucky, February 13, 1823. His father, David C. Wright, was a native of Virginia, who removed to Kentucky in October, 1822, and died in that State in 1872. The wife of David C. bore the maiden name of Rhoda A. Yates, a daughter of John C. Yates, and bore her husband the following children - Otis G., Mary A., John C., Silas T., Josephus, Harrison T. Greenberry F., Martin D., Thomas C., David L. and George W. . . . ."

In her letter dated July 10, 2002, Janet Kreitz enclosed a copy of the marriage record of Mary Wright, daughter of David Wright, and Alfred Turner dated on June 5, 1833, at Hardin County, Kentucky:

"State of Kentucky,)
____ County, Sct:)

To any authorized Minister of the Gospel, or authorized Magistrate.

These are to license and permit you to join together in the honorable estate of matrimony, according to the rules and customs of the Church of which you are reputed a member, Mr. Alfred Turner (who swore he was of age) & Miss Mary Wright daughter of David Wright who gave consent (before me on the 20th day of May 1833) in proper person he, the said Alfred Turner having given bond and security, in my office, according to law. Given under my hand as Clerk of the county Court, for the county aforesaid, the 5th day of June 1833 and in the 41st year of the Commonwealth.

Saml Haycraft Clk
By Stephen W. D. Stone DClk

The rites of matirmony celebrated between the above named parties, on the 5th day of June 1833 by me, David Hosbenson(?) LPMC"

In her letter dated July 10, 2002, Janet Kreitz also enclosed a copy of the death record of Mary Wright dated on December 6, 1927, at Hannibal, Marion County, Missouri:

"Missouri State Board of Health
Bureau of Vital Statistics
Certificate of Death

1. Place of Death:
County Marion
Township
City Hannibal

Registration District No. 547
Primary Registration District No. 3029
No 420 South 7
Registered No. 324

2. Full Name Mary Hastings
Residence. No. 420 South 7th St. 3 Ward

Personal and Statistical Particulars

Length of residence in city or town where death occurred 18 yrs __ mos. __ ds.

3. Sex Female
4. Color or Race White
5. Single, Married, Widowed or Divorced Married
If Married, Widowed, or Divorced
Husband of (or) Wife of Samuel Hastings
6. Date of Birth (month, day and year) June 11, 1844
7. Age 83 years 6 months 5 days
8. Occupation of Deceased At home
9. Birthplace Breckenridge Kentucky
10. Name of Father Alfred Turner
11. Birthplace of Father Kentucky
12. Maiden Name of Mother Don't know
13. Birthplace of Mother Don't know
14. Informant Samuel Hastings
Address Hannibal, Mo.
15. Filed Dec 7, 1921
C. E. Strode Registrar

Medical Certificate Of Death

16. Date of Death Dec. 6 1927
17. I hereby certify, That I attended deceased from June 15,
1926 to Dec 6, 1927 that I last saw her alive on Nov 5, 1927, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 10:20:A:
The Cause of Death was as follows: Chronic Myocarditis
Contributory Broken thigh
18. Where was disease contracted:
Signed L. H. Firth, M.D.
Address Hannibal, Mo
19. Place of Burial, Cremation, or Removal
Bacon Chapel Cemetery
Date of Burial 12/8 1927
20. Undertaker
Schwartz Funeral Home
Address Hannibal Mo."

In her letter dated July 10, 2002, Janet Kreitz also enclosed a copy of the undated obituary for Alfred Turner:

"Alfred Turner aged 79 years, died on Wednesday morning at Samuel Hasting's, his son-in-law, in vicinity of Bacon Chapel. For sixty years he had been a member of the Methodist Church. Funeral services by Rev. W. W. McMurry."

In her letter dated July 10, 2002, Janet Kreitz also enclosed a transcribed copy of an undated, handwritten obituary for Mary Cook (Turner) Harding Hastings:

"Mary Cook Turner was born in Harding County Kentucky June 1, 1844. When 16 years of age she with her parents moved to Shelby County Missouri.

She was married to James Edward Harding November 1870. To this union were born three children. Viz Mary Leona, Georgie Mae and Effie Frances. Her Husband departed this life Dec. 1875. She was married to Samuel Hastings in 1877.

In the fall of 1909 they moved to Hannibal, Missouri where she was living at the time of her death on Dec. 6, 1927 at the age of 83 years, 6 months and 5 days. She united with the Methodist Church when a young girl and was a faithful member till death.

She leaves to mourn her death her husband, Mr. Samuel Hastings of Hannibal, Mo., a daughter, Mrs. Sam Todd of Shelbina, a stepson, Mr. Kraty Hastings of Hannibal and a brother, Mr. George Turner of Hannibal, Mo., 18 grandchildren and 25 great grandchildren besides a host of other relatives and friends."

In his email dated October 11, 2000, John Miller enclosed an email from Maebeth Guyton which stated that Mary A. Wright was a daughter of David Wright and Rhoda (Yates) Wright.

In her email dated July 3, 2002, and her letter dated July 10, 2002, Janet Kreitz stated that Mary A. Wright was a daughter of David Wright and Rhoda (Yates) Wright, was born in 1813, married Alfred Turner on June 5, 1833, at Hardin County, Kentucky, resided in 1860 and 1870 at Shelby County, Missouri, died on February 15, 1896, and was buried at Bacon Chapel, Clarence, Shelby County, Missouri, that Alfred Turner was born in 1811 at Kentucky, died on February 2, 1891, and was buried at Bacon Chapel, Clarence, Shelby County, Missouri, and that Mary A. (Wright) Turner and Alfred Turner had the following children:

1) David F. Wright, born on August 12, 1834, at Kentucky,

2) Rhoda Wright, born in 1837 at Kentucky,

3) Phebe (Wright) Hastings, born on January 20, 1841, near Elizabeth, Kentucky,

4) Watson Wright, born in 1842 at Kentucky,

5) Mary Cook (Wright) (Harding) Hastings, born on June 1, 1844, at Kentucky,

6) Greenberry Wright, born in 1846 at Kentucky,

7) Margaret "Maggie" Wright, born in 1852 at Kentucky, and

8) George E. Turner, born on October 11, 1855, at Breckinridge County, Kentucky.

iii. John C. Wright And His Wife Nancy (Thomas) Wright

John Wright was a son of 1872 David Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky and Rhoda (Yates) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], 1872 David[4])

In her letter dated February 26, 2001, Maebeth Guyton enclosed an excerpt from Biographical Souvenir Of The State Of Texas, F. A. Battey & Company, Chicago, 1889, which stated: as follows:

> "Greenberry F. Wright was born in Hardin county, Kentucky, February 13, 1823. His father, David C. Wright, was a native of Virginia, who removed to Kentucky in October, 1822, and died in that State in 1872. The wife of David C. bore the maiden name of Rhoda A. Yates, a daughter of John C. Yates, and bore her husband the following children - Otis G., Mary A., John C., Silas T., Josephus, Harrison T. Greenberry F., Martin D., Thomas C., David L. and George W. . . . ."

In her letter dated October 17, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff enclosed family group sheets which stated that John Wright was a son of David Wright and Rhoda (Yates) Wright and married Nancy Thomas on September 23, 1836, at Hardin County, Kentucky.

In his email dated October 11, 2000, John Miller enclosed an email from Maebeth Guyton which stated that John C. Wright was a son of David Wright and Rhoda (Yates) Wright.

iv. 1903 Silas T. Wright Of Meade County, Kentucky, His Wife Perlista (Wright) Wright, And His Descendants

1903 Silas T. Wright of Meade County, Kentucky, was a son of 1872 David Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and Rhoda (Yates) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], David[4])

In her email dated May 14, 2001, Barbara Meger stated that the 1860 Census for Hardin County, Kentucky, listed Silas T. Wright with the following household on October July 9, 1860:

Name	Age	Sex	Occupation	Real Estate	Born
Silas T. Wright	42	M			KY
Pulista Wright	39	F			KY
Sarah J. Wright	21	F			KY
Pelina Wright	18	F			KY
Nancy C. Wright	15	F			KY
Marcus Wright	12	M			KY
McHenry Wright	9	M			KY
Lucy McKoy Wright	7	F			KY
Dempry Wright	3	M			KY

This record indicates that Silas T. Wright was born in about 1818 and that Perlista (Wright) Wright was born in about 1821.

The declaration of Littleberry Wright dated June 19, 1873, at Meade County, Kentucky, D. B. P/139 stated that his half-brother Martin G. Wright had eleven children, including Polisty Wright:

> ". . . . Martin G. Wright son of the said Joseph Wright by his Second wife Clara Drake married Delila McCormick by whom he had eleven children named Poling (?) - Riley - Elvira - Polisty - Lucretia Minerva - Clarinda - Joseph Henry - Gilbert - Sanford - Delila - . . . ."

In her letter dated February 26, 2001, Maebeth Guyton enclosed an excerpt from Biographical Souvenir Of The State Of Texas, F. A. Battey & Company, Chicago, 1889, which stated: as follows:

> "Greenberry F. Wright was born in Hardin county, Kentucky, February 13, 1823. His father, David C. Wright, was a native of Virginia, who removed to Kentucky in

October, 1822, and died in that State in 1872. The wife of David C. bore the maiden name of Rhoda A. Yates, a daughter of John C. Yates, and bore her husband the following children - Otis G., Mary A., John C., Silas T., Josephus, Harrison T. Greenberry F., Martin D., Thomas C., David L. and George W. . . . ."

In her letters dated September 15, 1979, and October 17, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff enclosed family group sheets which stated that Silas T. Wright was a son of David Wright and Rhoda (Yates) Wright, was born on February 14, 1818, at Bedford County, Virginia, married Perlista Wright on July 7, 1836, at Hardin County, Kentucky, died on September or October 27, 1903, and was buried at Big Spring Methodist Church Cemetery, Meade County, Kentucky, that Perlista (Wright) Wright was a daughter of Martin G. Wright and Delilah (McCormack) Wright, was born on September 26, 1819 or 1820, at Franklin County, Virginia, died on December 11, 1901, at Meade County, Kentucky, and was buried at Big Spring Methodist Church Cemetery, Meade County, Kentucky, and that Silas T. Wright and Perlista (Wright) Wright had the following children:

1) Sarah J. (Wright) ____, born about 1838 or 1839 at Kentucky,
2) Palina Isabelle (Wright) Thomas, born on January 1, 1843, at Kentucky,
3) Nancy C. Wright, born about 1845 in Kentucky,
4) Marcus T. Wright, born on January 19, 1848, at Kentucky,
5) Lucy Wright, born in March 1850 in Kentucky,
6) McHenry Wright, born about 1851,
7) Dempsey Wright, born about 1856 in Kentucky,
8) Crittenden Wright, born about 1860 in Kentucky, and
9) Silas Wright, Jr., born in December 1869.

In his email dated October 11, 2000, John Miller enclosed an email from Maebeth Guyton which stated that Silas T. Wright was a son of David Wright and Rhoda (Yates) Wright and was born on February 14, 1818.

v. Josephus Wright

Josephus Wright was a son of 1872 David Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and Rhoda (Yates) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], 1872 David[4])

In her letter dated February 26, 2001, Maebeth Guyton enclosed an excerpt from Biographical Souvenir Of The State Of Texas, F. A. Battey & Company, Chicago, 1889, which stated: as follows:

> "Greenberry F. Wright was born in Hardin county, Kentucky, February 13, 1823. His father, David C. Wright, was a native of Virginia, who removed to Kentucky in October, 1822, and died in that State in 1872. The wife of David C. bore the maiden name of Rhoda A. Yates, a daughter of John C. Yates, and bore her husband the following children - Otis G., Mary A., John C., Silas T., Josephus, Harrison T. Greenberry F., Martin D., Thomas C., David L. and George W. . . . ."

In his email dated October 11, 2000, John Miller enclosed an email from Maebeth Guyton which stated that Josephus Wright was a son of David Wright and Rhoda (Yates) Wright.

vi. Harrison T. Wright

Harrison T. Wright was a son of 1872 David Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and Rhoda (Yates) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], 1872 David[4])

In her letter dated February 26, 2001, Maebeth Guyton enclosed an excerpt from Biographical Souvenir Of The State Of Texas, F. A. Battey & Company, Chicago, 1889, which stated: as follows:

> "Greenberry F. Wright was born in Hardin county, Kentucky, February 13, 1823. His father, David C. Wright, was a native of Virginia, who removed to Kentucky in October, 1822, and died in that State in 1872. The wife of David C. bore the maiden name of Rhoda A. Yates, a daughter of John C. Yates, and bore her husband the following children - Otis G., Mary A., John C., Silas T., Josephus, Harrison T. Greenberry F., Martin D., Thomas C., David L. and George W. . . . ."

In his email dated October 11, 2000, John Miller enclosed an email from Maebeth Guyton which stated that Harrison T. Wright was a son of David Wright and Rhoda (Yates) Wright.

vii. 1898 Greenberry Franklin Wright Of Fannin County, Texas, His Wife Margaret (Hoskinson) Wright, And His Descendants

1898 Greenberry Franklin Wright of Fannin County, Texas, was a son of 1872 David Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and Rhoda (Yates) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], 1872 David[4])

In her letter dated February 26, 2001, Maebeth Guyton enclosed an excerpt from Biographical Souvenir Of The State Of Texas, F. A. Battey & Company, Chicago, 1889, which stated: as follows:

> "Greenberry F. Wright was born in Hardin county, Kentucky, February 13, 1823. His father, David C. Wright, was a native of Virginia, who removed to Kentucky in October, 1822, and died in that State in 1872. The wife of David C. bore the maiden name of Rhoda A. Yates, a daughter of John C. Yates, and bore her husband the following children - Otis G., Mary A., John C., Silas T., Josephus, Harrison T. Greenberry F., Martin D., Thomas C., David L. and George W. In June, 1848, in Kentucky, Greenberry F. Wright took to wife Margaret A. Hoskinson, daughter of David C. Hoskinson, who had served in the Revolutionary War, moved to Kentucky, and was drawing a pension when he died in that State at the age of eighty-three. Greenberry F. Wright has had born to him the following children - Joe C. (deceased), Rhoda A., Mary A., Priscilla R., William A., Walter T. T., Amanda B., Calvin C., Fanny G. In 1855 Mr. Wright came to Texas and bought raw land, which he cultivated and improved until the outbreak of the war, at which time he was in good circumstances. Being old, he sought to keep out of the army, but he was foraged upon to an alarming extent. But his age did not prevail; he was conscripted and was forced to serve in the State troops. He returned home, after a loss of four years' time, and found that all he had left in the way of property was his bare land. Life had to be re-commenced, and he was equal to the emergency. His farm is now well-stocked, and contains thirty acres of choice fruit trees, Mr. Wright having been the first man in his neighborhood to go into the fruit-raising business. For the past fifty years he has been a member of the Methodist Episcopal church South, and lives fully up to the teachings and discipline of that denomination."

In his email dated October 11, 2000, John Miller enclosed an email from Maebeth Guyton and in her letter dated October 17, 2000, Maebeth Guyton stated that Greenbury Franklin Wright was a son of David Wright and Rhoda (Yates) Wright, was born on February 13, 1823, at Hardin County, Kentucky, married Margaret Hoskinson in June 1848 at Hardin County, Kentucky, resided in 1855 at Texas, was conscripted and

served four years with state troops in the Civil War, raised fruit, was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, and died on April 24, 1898, at Fannin JCounty, Texas, and that Greenbury Franklin Wright and Margaret (Hoskinson) Wright had the following children:

1) Joe C. Wright,
2) Rhoda Ann Wright,
3) Mary A. Wright,
4) Priscilla R. (Wright) Ridings,, born in 1852,
5) William A. Wright,
6) Walter Wright,
7) Amanda B. Wright,
8) Calvin C. Wright, and
9) Fanny G. Wright.

In her letter dated February 26, 2001, Maebeth Guyton stated that Greenbery Franklin Wright was born on February 14, 1823, at Hardin County, Kentucky, married Margaret Hoskinson in June 1848, and died on April 24, 1898, at Texas and that Margareet (Hoskinson) Wright was born in 1829 at Kentucky and died in 1908 at Texas.

In her email dated January 18, 2002, Nancy G. Reed stated that Greenberry F. Wright married Margaret Hoskinson and their son was Joseph C. Wright.

viii. Martin D. Wright

Martin D. Wright was a son of 1872 David Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and Rhoda (Yates) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], 1872 David[4])

In her letter dated February 26, 2001, Maebeth Guyton enclosed an excerpt from Biographical Souvenir Of The State Of Texas, F. A. Battey & Company, Chicago, 1889, which stated: as follows:

> "Greenberry F. Wright was born in Hardin county, Kentucky, February 13, 1823. His father, David C. Wright, was a native of Virginia, who removed to Kentucky in October, 1822, and died in that State in 1872. The wife of David C. bore the maiden name of Rhoda A. Yates, a daughter of John C. Yates, and bore her

husband the following children - Otis G., Mary A., John C., Silas T., Josephus, Harrison T. Greenberry F., Martin D., Thomas C., David L. and George W. . . . ."

In his email dated October 11, 2000, John Miller enclosed an email from Maebeth Guyton which stated that Martin D. Wright was a son of David Wright and Rhoda (Yates) Wright.

ix. Thomas C. Wright

Thomas C. Wright was a son of 1872 David Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and Rhoda (Yates) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], 1872 David[4])

In her letter dated February 26, 2001, Maebeth Guyton enclosed an excerpt from Biographical Souvenir Of The State Of Texas, F. A. Battey & Company, Chicago, 1889, which stated: as follows:

"Greenberry F. Wright was born in Hardin county, Kentucky, February 13, 1823. His father, David C. Wright, was a native of Virginia, who removed to Kentucky in October, 1822, and died in that State in 1872. The wife of David C. bore the maiden name of Rhoda A. Yates, a daughter of John C. Yates, and bore her husband the following children - Otis G., Mary A., John C., Silas T., Josephus, Harrison T. Greenberry F., Martin D., Thomas C., David L. and George W. . . . ."

In his email dated October 11, 2000, John Miller enclosed an email from Maebeth Guyton which stated that Thomas C. Wright was a son of David Wright and Rhoda (Yates) Wright.

x. David L. Wright

David L. Wright was a son of David Wright and Rhoda (Yates) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], David[4])

In her email dated May 14, 2001, Barbara Meger stated that the 1850 Census for Hardin County, Kentucky, listed David L. Wright in the David Wright household on October 26 to 28, 1850, and his age as 21 and born in Kentucky, indicating a date of birth in about 1829.

In her letter dated February 26, 2001, Maebeth Guyton enclosed an excerpt from Biographical Souvenir Of The State Of Texas, F. A. Battey & Company, Chicago, 1889, which stated: as follows:

"Greenberry F. Wright was born in Hardin county, Kentucky, February 13, 1823. His father, David C. Wright, was a native of Virginia, who removed to Kentucky in October, 1822, and died in that State in 1872. The wife of David C. bore the maiden name of Rhoda A. Yates, a daughter of John C. Yates, and bore her husband the following children - Otis G., Mary A., John C., Silas T., Josephus, Harrison T. Greenberry F., Martin D., Thomas C., David L. and George W. . . . ."

In her letter dated October 17, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff enclosed family group sheets which stated that David L. Wright was a son of David Wright and Rhoda (Yates) Wright and was born about 1829.

In his email dated October 11, 2000, John Miller enclosed an email from Maebeth Guyton which stated that David L. Wright was a son of David Wright and Rhoda (Yates) Wright, was born in about 1829, and resided in 1850 at Hardin County, Kentucky.

xi. George W. Wright

George W. Wright was a son of David Wright and Rhoda (Yates) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], David[4])

In her email dated May 14, 2001, Barbara Meger stated that the 1850 Census for Hardin County, Kentucky, listed George W. Wright in the David Wright household on October 26 to 28, 1850, and his age as 19 and born in Kentucky, indicating a date of birth in about 1831.

In her letter dated February 26, 2001, Maebeth Guyton enclosed an excerpt from Biographical Souvenir Of The State Of Texas, F. A. Battey & Company, Chicago, 1889, which stated: as follows:

"Greenberry F. Wright was born in Hardin county, Kentucky, February 13, 1823. His father, David C. Wright, was a native of Virginia, who removed to Kentucky in October, 1822, and died in that State in 1872. The wife of David C. bore the maiden name of Rhoda A. Yates, a daughter of John C. Yates, and bore her husband the following children - Otis G., Mary A., John C., Silas T., Josephus, Harrison T. Greenberry F., Martin D., Thomas C., David L. and George W. . . . ."

In her letter dated October 17, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff enclosed family group sheets which stated that George W. Wright was a son of David Wright and Rhoda (Yates) Wright and was born about 1831.

In his email dated October 11, 2000, John Miller enclosed an email from Maebeth Guyton which stated that George W. Wright was a son of David Wright and Rhoda (Yates) Wright, was born in about 1831, and resided in 1850 at Hardin County, Kentucky.

xii. Druzilla Wright

Druzilla Wright was a daughter of David Wright and Rhoda (Yates) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], David[4])

In her email dated May 14, 2001, Barbara Meger stated that the 1850 Census for Hardin County, Kentucky, listed Druzilla Wright in the David Wright household on October 26 to 28, 1850, and her age as 17 and born in Kentucky, indicating a date of birth in about 1833.

In her letter dated October 17, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff enclosed family group sheets which stated that Druzilla Wright was a daughter of David Wright and Rhoda (Yates) Wright and was born about 1833.

In his email dated October 11, 2000, John Miller enclosed an email from Maebeth Guyton which stated that Druzilla Wright was a daughter of David Wright and Rhoda (Yates) Wright, was born in about 1833, and resided in 1850 at Hardin County, Kentucky.

b. John Wright

John Wright was a son of 1844 Joseph Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and Mary (Cook) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3])

The will of Joseph Wright dated June 16, 1840, and probated on October 21, 1844, at Hardin County, Kentucky, W.B. E/_ did not list John Wright as one of his children.

The Declaration and Assignment of Little Berry Wright dated June 19, 1873, and recorded at Meade County, Kentucky, D.B. P/137 listed John Wright as a child of Joseph Wright, Jr.:

> ". . . . My own father Joseph Wright Jr. married Mary Cook for his first wife and had three children by her, named David, John & Berry, his first wife Mary Cook

was my mother, He married for his second wife Clara Drake and had one child by her named Martin G. Wright, He married for his third wife Martha Poggins by whom he had four children named Elizabeth, Frank, Louise and Mary. . . ."

c. Littleberry Wright, His Wife Elizabeth (Meador) Wright, And His Descendants

Littleberry Wright was a son of 1844 Joseph Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and Mary (Cook) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3])

The 1814 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Berry Wright (Joseph son) with the following property:

____	Persons names that own property	White tithes	Blacks over 16	Blacks 12 & under 16
	Berry Wright (Joseph son)	1	-	-

Horses	Griss Merchant Mills	Rent	Saw Mills	Rent	Forges	Valu-ation
1	-	-	-	-	-	-

Cariages	Valu-ation	Stud Horses	Rate per Season	___	Valu-ation	___
-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Valu-ation	Free & negroes Mulatoes	Merchant License	___	___
-	-	-	-	- 21

The reference to "Joseph son" clearly identifies this Berry Wright as Littleberry Wright, the son of 1844 Joseph Wright.

On October 3, 1814, at Franklin County Virginia, D.B. 7/205 Joseph Wright gave 130 acres of land to David Wright and Littleberry Wright:

"This Indenture made & entered into this third day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & fourteen between Joseph Wright Jr of the County of Bedford & State of Virginia of the one part & David Wright & Littleberry Wright both of the County of Franklin & State aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth that the said Joseph Wright for & in consideration of the love & good will which he has for the said David & Littleberry Wright hath this day granted & confirmed and by these presents doth grant alien & confirm to the said David Wright & Littleberry Wright one certain tract of Land containing one hundred & thirty Acres Situate in the County of Franklin & lying on the waters of Linvills Creek & Bounded as follows viz. Begining at a red oak thence S 33-1/2 W 32 poles to a post Oak thence along John Bashams lines S 45- 1/2 W 55 poles to Post Oak S _ W 24 poles to Hickory on Branch S 76 W 27 poles to red oak S 53 W 56 poles to post Oak thence new line N 36 W 66 W pole to a Maple on the Cow Branch thence down the said Branch as it meanders to a maple off thence N 64-1/2 E 38 poles to pine S 64 E 67 poles to a white Oak S 80 E 122 poles to the first station To have and to hold the aforesaid Tract of Land together with all the appurtinances thereunto belonging unto them the said David Wright & Littleberry Wright their heirs & assigns forever The said Joseph Wright Jr. doth Covenant for himself his heirs & assigns that he will for ever warrant and defend the right of title of the aforesaid tract of Land against the claims of all persons whatsoever unto them the said David & Littleberry Wright their heirs & assigns for ever an Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal the day & year first above writteh

Sign'd Seal'd deli-
vered in presence of
Joseph Wright
Martin G Wright
Benjamin Meador

Joseph Wright

At a Court held for Franklin County December 5th 1814

This Deed of Gift from Joseph Wright Jr. To David Wright and Littleberry Wright was proved by the oath of Joseph Wright, Martin G. Wright and Benjamin Meadors the Witnesses hereto, and ordered to be recorded.

Teste,
Caleb Tate, C.F.C"

The 1815 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Littleberry Wright with the following household on April 15:

Date	Names	No. of white males above 16 yrs old	Slaves between 9 & 12 years old	Slaves above 12 years old	Horses asses mules mares & Colts
Apl 15	Littleberry Wright	1			

Stud horses No.	Rate of Covering mares	No. of heads of Cattle	Carriages 2 wheeled riding carriages	Phaetons & stage waggons	Publick stages	all other 4 wheeled riding Carriages

Mills	Toll Bridges & Ferrys	Tan yards	Free male negroes above 16 years old	Watches Gold silver or pinchmark	Watches Single Cased Gold	Watches Double Case Gold

Livery stables & No of stals or ____ country sufficient for The accommodation of one horse____	houses in the exceeding in value $500	Ice houses from private use	Ice houses which ice is sold	Clocks works works of wood without case	Clocks works of wood in the case	Clocks princi-pally of metal

Clocks [cont'd] of value between 50 & 100$	Clocks [cont'd] of Value of $100 & upwards	Coal Pitts	Printers & the subscriptions annually to their papers	Furniture Bureau, secatary or book case chest of Drawers wardrobe clothes press Dining Table or Separate __ of bedsteads Side Board without Drawers or doors Tea Tables or Card Table in whole or __ of mahogany Ce__ett or side board with drawers or or doors Settee or Sopha chairs Carpets window curtains & venetian blinds within the window of any house

Furniture [Cont'd]		
Portraits	Urn Coffee or Tea	
Pictures print or	pot Candlesticks	
Engraving mirror	__ Chandelier __	Total
or Looking Glass	or __ andole wash	___
Pianoforte Harpsi-	bason stand or salver	of Tax
cord Organ or Harp	Tankard Cups or Waiter	$ cts

A return of sales of the estate of 1815 Joseph Wright of Bedford County that were made in October, November, and December 1815 was recorded on December 23, 1816, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 4/288 and among the purchasers listed was Littleberry Wright.

The marriage bond of Littleberry Wright and Elizabeth Meador was dated on December 18, 1815, at Bedford County, Virginia, with Benjamin Meador as surety:

> "Know all men by these presents that we Littlebury Wright and Benjamin Meador are held & firmly bound unto Wilson C. Nicholas Goveror or chief magistrate of the C. Wealth of Virginia in the sum of one hundred & fifty dollars current money of Virginia in the sum of one hundred & fifty dollars current money of Virginia to which payment well & truly to be made to the said Governor or his successors we bind ourselves and each of us our & each of our heirs Exors &c Jointly & severally firmly by these presents sealed & dated this 18th day of December 1815.
>
> The Condition of the above obligation is such that hwereas there is a marriage shortly intended to be had & solemnized between the above bound Litty Wright and Elizabeth Meador now if there shall be no lawful cause to obstruct the said marriage then this obligation to be void else to remain in full force & Virtue.

Teste	Berry wright		
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	Benjm	X	Meador
		mark"	

The 1816 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Berry Wright with the following household on April 20:

Date Receiving lists from Individuals	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	No. of white males above 16 years old	No. of Slaves above 12 years	No of Horses	Stud Horses No.	Stud Horses $ Cents
Apl 20	Berry Wright	1		1		

2 Wheel Riding Cariages & harness belonging thereto Not exceeding in Value $100	2 Wheel Riding Cariages & harness belonging thereto Exceeding in Value $100	Phaetons & Stage waggons & harness belonging thereto Not exceeding in value $200	Phaetons & Stage waggons & harness belonging thereto Exceeding value $200	Coaches & harness belonging thereto Not Exceeding in Value $300	Coaches & harness belonging thereto Exceeding in Value $300	Total Amount of Tax
						.18

The 1817 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Littlebery Wright with the following household on April 1:

Date of Receiving lists from Individuals	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	No. of white males above 16 years old	No of Slaves above 12 years old	No. of horses	Stud Horses No.	Stud Horses $ Cts
Apl 1	Littlebery Wright	1				

2 wheeled Riding Cariages & harness belong thereto Not exceeding in Value $100	2 wheeled Riding Cariages & harness belong thereto Exceeding in Value $100	Phaetons & Stage waggons & harness belonging thereto Not exceeding in Value $200	Phaetons & Stage waggons & harness belonging thereto Exceeding Value $200	Coaches & harness belonging thereto Not exceeding in Value $300	Coaches & harness belonging thereto Exceeding in Value $300

Total
Amount
of Tax
$ Cts Proff

The 1817 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed David & Berry Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owner	Residence	Estate	No of Acres	Description of Land
David & Berry Wright	Franklin	in fee	130	Staunton

Distance & Baring from the Court House	Rate of Land Per Acre	Total Value of Land	Amount of Tax on Land	
20NE	.50	65.00	.49	

On June _, 1817, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 15/457 Littleberry Wright purchased 80 acres of land from Samuel and Agnes Mays:

> "This Indenture made this __ Day of June in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight Hundred and Seventeen between Samuel Mays and Agness Mays his Wife of the County of Davidson and State of Tennessee of the one part & Littlebeary Wright of the County of Bedford and State of Virginia of the other part Winesseth That the said Samuel Mays and Agness Mays his Wife for and in Consideration of the Sum of Four hundred and Fifty Dollars United States money to them in hand paid by the said Little Beary Wright the receipt whereof they do hereby acknowledge hath Given Granted and Sold and by these presents doth Give Grant & bargain Sell and deliver unto the said Wright to him his heirs and assigns forever a Certain Lott or parcel of Land Lying and being in the County of Bedford Situated on the waters of Staunton River, Containing Eighty Acres be the same more or Less and bounded as followeth (Viz) beginning at the mouth of a Small Branch on the Staunton River off N 14 E 130 poles to pointers S 88 W 110 poles to a white Oak S 15 W 50 poles to a branch thence down the Same as it meanders to the river thence down the Same as it meanders to the beginning Station To have and to hold the Said Land and premises together with the priviledges and appurtenances thereunto belonging unto the Said Wright his heirs and assigns forever, and they the Said Samuel Mays and Agness Mays his

wife, doth Covenant Grant and agree to and with the Said Wright his heirs and assigns that they the said Samuel Mays and Agness Mays and their heirs, the Said Land and premises unto the Said Wright his his heirs and assigns Shall and Will warrant and forever defend against the Claim or demand of any person or persons Whatsoever. In Witness Whereof they the Said Samuel Mays and Agness Mays his wife hath hereunto Set their hands and seals the day and year above written.

Signed Sealed & acknowledged in the presence of Us)))

Ackd Saml Mays
Ackd Agness her X crose(?) Mays

State of Tennessee Davidson County Court April Superior 1818 This Indenture of bargain and Sale between Samuel Mays and Agness Mays his Wife of the one part and Littlebeary Wright of the other part for Eighty Acres acres of Land Lying in Bedford County in the State of Virginia made in the year 1817 was produced in open Court for probate and thereupon it appearing to the Court that Agness Mays one of the parties thereto is a firm Court Thomas Hickman William Williams and Jesse Wharton Esquires then Sitting and holding the Court of Pleas and Quarter sessions for Said County produced to take the private examination of the Said Agness Mays Seperate and apart from her Said husband touching her Voluntary execution of Said deed who thereupon reported that they had taken her Said examination and that She had Stated that She had Signed and executed it Voluntarily and of her own free Will and without the coersion of her said husband and thereupon Came the Said Samuel Mays and Agness Mays his Wife hereunto Court and acknowledged said deed to be their act and deed all of which is ordered to be so Certified the probate being of record in this Court. In testamony whereof I Nathan Ewing Clerk of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for Said County do hereby Certify to whom it may Concern that I have hereto Set my hand and affixed the Seal of Said Court at Office in Nashville this 4th day of May in the year of our Lord 1818 and 43rd year of American Independence.

Nathan Ewing

At a Court held for Bedford County at the Courthouse the 26th day of October 1818 This Indenture of bargain and Sale between Samuel Mays and Agness his Wife of the one part, and Littlebeary Wright of the Other, was Certified from davidson County and State of Tennessee & ordered to be Recorded

Teste
J Steptoe C.B.C."

On about March 28, 1818, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Littleberry Wright filed a complaint against John Wheeler for slander for stating that Littleberry had stolen a knife:

"Bedford County to wit

Littleberry Wright complains of John Wheeler in custody of a plea of Tresspass upon the Case for this. That the plaintiff now is a good, true honest and faithful citizen of this Commonwealth and as such hath always behaved and conducted himself, and until the committing the several grievances by the said John Wheeler hereinafter named, was always repected, esteemed and accepted by and amongst all those to whom he was in any wise known to be a person of good name, fame, and credit to wit at the County of Bedford aforesaid, and the said plaintiff hath not been guilty, nor until the committing the several grievances by the said John Wheeler hereinafter mentioned suspected to have been guilty of the crime of stealing nor any other such crime, by means of which premises the said plaintiff before the committing the several grievances of the said defendant hereinafter mentioned the good opinion and credit of all his neighbours and other good and worthy citizens to whom he was in any wise known - yet the said John Wheeler well knowing the premises but greatly envying the happy state and condition of the said plaintiff and contriving and wickedly and maliciously intending to injure him in his good name fame and credit, to insult and wound his feelings and to provoke him to commit a breach of the peace, to cause it to be suspected that he had been guilty of stealing, on the __ day of ____ in the County of Bedford aforesaid and in the presence and hearing of Divers persons then and there assembled did utter and speak of and concerning the plaintiff the following false, malicious and ____ words He the plaintiff meaning had stole a knife he the plaintiff meaning had stole a knife and given it to a negroe he the plaintiff meaning had stole a knife from Dickinsons(?) Store The man who sold wheat to William Whitly meaning the plaintiff had stole a knife. The man who sold wheat to William Whitely stole a knife and gave it to a negro. By means of the speaking of which false scandalous ____ and defamatory words the plaintiff saith he hath sustained damage to the amount of five thousand Dollars And therefore he sues

Anthony"

On March 28, 1818, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers a summons was issued against John Wheeler to answer the complaint of Littleberry Wright for slander for stating that Littleberry had stolen a knife:

"The Commonwealth of Virginia to the sheriff of Bedford County greeting: We command you take John Wheeler if he be found within your bailiwick & him

safely keep so that you have his body before our Justices of our Court of our County of Bedford at the Courthouse thereof on the fourth monday in May next to answer Littlebury Wright of a plea of trespass on the case Damage Fifteen hundred dollars And have then there this Writ. Witness James Steptoe clerk of our said Court the 28th day March 1818. In the 42d Year of our Independence.

. J. Steptoe"

The 1818 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Littleberry Wright with the following household on May 1:

Date of Receiving lists from individuals	Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	No of White Males above 16 years old	No of Slaves above 12 years old	No. of Horses	No. of Stud Horses
May 1	Littleberry Wright	1		1	

2 Wheeled riding Carriages & Harness belonging thereto		Phaetons & Stage Waggons & Harness belonging thereto		Coaches & harness belonging thereto		
Not exceeding in value $100	Exceeding in value $100	Not exceeding in value $200	exceeding value $200	Not exceeding in value $300	exceeding in value $300	Total amount of Taxes
						.18

The 1818 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed David & Berry Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate	No of Acres	Description of Land
David & Berry Wright	Franklin	in fee	130	Linville

Distance& bearing from the Court House	Rate of Land Per Acre	Total Value of Land	Amount of Tax on Land	
20NE	.50	65.00	.49	

The 1819 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed L B Wright with the following household on April 3:

Date of Receiving Lists from Individuals	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	No. of white Males above 16 years old	No of Slaves above 12 years old	No of Horses	Stud Horses No $ Cts
April 3	L B Wright	1		2	

2 Wheeled riding Carriages & harness belonging thereto		phaetons & stage Waggons & harness belonging thereto		Coaches & harness belonging thereto		
Not Exceedg in value $100	Exceed-ing in value $100	not Exceedg in value $200	Exceedg in value $200	not exceeding in value $300	Exceed-ing in value $300	Total Amt of Taxes
						.36

The 1819 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Littleberry Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate	No of Town Lots	Name of Town
Littleberry Wright	prm	fee		

Yearly Rent of Lots	Amt of Tax on Lots	No. of Acres of Land	Description of Land
		80	On Stanton

Distance & bearing From the Court House	Rate of Land P Acre	Total Amount of Lands	Amount of Tax On Land at 75¢ P 100$ Value	Total Amount Of Tax On Lots & Land
20SW	1.30	104.00	.77	

This record reflects the purchase of 80 acres of land by Bedford County Deed 15/457.

The 1819 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed David & Berry Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate	No of Acres	Description of Land
David & Berry Wright	Franklin	in fee	130	Linville

Distance & Bearing from the Court House	Rate of Land Per Acre	Total Value of Land	Amount of Tax on Land	
20NE	.50	65.00		

The 1820 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Littlberry Wright with the following household:

Date of Receiving list	Persons names chargable with the Tax	No. of white male ties above 16 years old	No of Slaves above 12 years old	No of Horses	Stud Horses No $ Cts
	Littleberry Wright	1		1	

2 wheeled riding carriages & harness belonging thereto		Phaetons & Stage Waggons & harness belonging thereto		Coaches and harness belonging thereto		
Not exceeding in value $100	Exceeding in Value $100	Not exceeding in Value $200	Exceeding in value $200	Not exceeding in Value $300	Exceeding in Value $300	Total amt of Taxes
						.18

Proof

The 1820 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Littlebury Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No. of Acres of Land	Description of the Land
Littlebury Wright	Bedford	80	On Staunton

Sum Distance and bearings from the Court house	added to the Land on Value of Land per Acre	account of the Building	Total Value	Amount of Tax ___ for every $100 Value	Remarks
17W	4.50	250	360.00	.45	

The 1820 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed David & Berry Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owner	Residence	Estate	Number of Ares of Land	Description of the Land
David & Berry Wright		in fee	130	Linvell

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Vallue of Land Per Acre	Sum added to the on account of the Below ___	Total Vallue	Amount of Tax upon Land	Remarks
20 Miles NE	2.00		260.00	.33	

The 1820 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Little B. Wright with the following household:

Names of Heads of Families	Free White Males	Age	Free White Females	Age
Little B. Wright	1	26-45	1	26-45
	2	16-26	3	0-10

Foreigners	Number in Agriculture	Number in Commerce	Number in Manufacture
	2		

Slaves Male	Age	Slaves Female	Age	Free Colored Males	Age	Free Colored Females	Age
		1	0-14				

All Other Persons

This record indicates that Littleberry Wright and Elizabeth (Meador) Wright were born between 1776 and 1794.

The 1821 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed L B Wright with the following household on April 10:

Date of Receiving lists from individuals	Persons names chargable with tax	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses, Mares, Colts & Mules	Stud Horses No $ Cts
April 10	L B Wright		1	

Two wheeled riding Carriages & harness		Phaetons and stage Waggons & Harness		Riding Carriages and harness		
Not exceeding in value $100	Above the value $100	Not exceeding in Value $200	Above the value of $200	Not exceeding in Value $300	Above the value of $300	Amount of tax
						.14

The 1821 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Littleberry Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple or for Life	N. Acres
Littleberry Wright	Bedford	fee	80

Description of Land	Distance & bearing from the Court house	Value of land P acre including Buildings	Sum added to the Land on Acct Building
On Stanton Waters 17W	4.50	175	

Total Value of Land and Buildings	Amount of Tax at the Rate of ___ $100 Value	Explanation of alterations during the Preceding Year
360.00	.34	

The 1821 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed David & Berry Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owner	Residence	Estate	Numr of Acres of Land	Descrip-tion of the Land
David & Berry Wright	Franklin	in fee	130	Linvill

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Vallue of Land per acre Including Bildings	Sum added to the Land on act of Bildings	Total Vallue of the Land & Bilding	Amount of Tax at the Rate of	Explanation during the Preceding Year
20 Miles N	2.00		260.00	.24	

On October 8, 1821, in File 1373 of the Superior Court of Law and Chancery, Lynchburg, Virginia, Little Berry Wright gave his deposition that in 1816 and 1817 he lived with 1840 John Wright of Bedford County, whose residence was on Beaverdam Creek in Bedford County:

> "I livd for John Wright two years 1816 & 1817 I always found every necessary for support of life In the family as any person could wish and always found John Wright to be very kind and obliging to his mother and treated her with motherly kindness"

The 1822 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed L B Wright with the following household on April 6:

Date of Receiving Lists from Individuals	Persons names Chargable with Tax	Slaves above the age of 12 years	Horses, mares, Colts & mules	Stud Horses No	$ Cts
April 6	L B Wright		1		

two wheeled Riding Carriages & Harness		pheatons and stage waggons & Harness		Riding carriages and Harness		
Not Exceeding in Value $100	Above the Value of $100	Not Exceeding in Value $200	Above the value of $200	Not Exceeding in Value $300	Above the Value of $300	Amount of tax
						.14

The 1822 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed L B Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	___	Description of Land
L B Wright	Bedford	80	On Stnton waters

Derscription & bearing from the Courthouse	Value of Land	Sum added to the Land on acct of the Buildings thereon	Total Value of Land	Amount of Tax on Land @ 9 cts p every $100 Value	Remarks
17W	4.50		360.00	.34	

The 1822 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed David & Berry Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate	Number of Acres of Land	Descrip-tion of the Land
David & Berry Wright	Franklin	in fee	30	Staunton

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land per acre Including the Bildings	Sum added to the Land on act of the Bildings	Total Vallue of the Land & Bilding	Amt of Tax	Explana-tion of alterations during the Preceding Year
20 Miles NE	2.00		60.00	.06	

On January 3, 1823, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 10/193 Berry Wright, Joseph Wright and Clary Wright, David Wright and Rhoda Wright, Benjamin Meador and Oney Meador sold a tract of 263 acres to Turner Brown:

> "This Indenture made this 3rd day of January 1823 between Joseph Wright and Clary his wife, and David Wright and Rhoda his wife of the County of Franklin,

and Berry Wright and Benjamin Meador and Oney his wife of the County of Bedford of the one part, and Turner Brown of the County of Cumberland of the other part Witnesseth that the said Joseph Wright & Clary his wife, and David Wright and Rhoda his wife, and Berry Wright and Benjamin Meador & Oney his wife for and in consideration of the sum of Eleven hundred and thirty six Dollars to them in hand paid by the said Turner Brown, the recept whereof is hereby acknowledged hath granted bargained and sold and by these presents, doth grant, bargain & sell unto the said Turner Brown one certain tract or parcel of Land in the County of Franklin situate on stanton River and on both sides of linvill's Creek, containing Two hundred and sixty three acres be the same more or less and bounded as followeth, to wit, Begining at McCormack's corner horn beam on Stanton River thence off and along his line South 26-1/2 Degrees, West 39 poles to a white oak; South 21 Degrees, East 159 poles to a pine down South 74 Degrees West 41 poles to a maple on the Cow Branch, thence along Bashams line, South 69 Degrees West 202 poles to a small red oak, North 35 Degrees, East 40 poles to a red oak, North 7 Degrees, West 240 poles to a spruce pine on the River, thence up the River as it meanders to the begining To have and to hold the aforesaid Land & premisses together with the appurtenances unto him the said Turner Brown his heirs and assigns forever against the claim of the said Joseph Wright and Clary his wife, David Wright & Rhoda his wife, Berry Wright, Benjamin Meador and Oney his wife or either of them and against the lawful claim of all and every person & persons whatever. In Witness whereof they have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals the day and year first above written.

Signed, sealed & delivered in the presence of
Benjamin Booth
Ste: Smith
John Turner
William Smith

his
Joseph X Wright
mark
her
Clary X Wright
mark
his
David X Wright
mark
her
Rhoda X Wright
mark
his
Berry Wright
Benjamin Meador
her
Oney X Meador
mark

Franklin County, To wit,

We Stephen Smith & Benjamin Booth Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Joseph Wright David Wright, Berry Wright & Benjamin Meador, parties to the within Deed, personally appeared before us in our County aforesd and acknowledged the same to be their act & deed & desired us to certify the said acknowledgment to the Clerk of County Court of Franklin in order that the said deed may be recorded. Given under our hands & Seals this 3rd day of January 1823.

Ste: Smith
Benjamin Booth

Franklin County, to wit,

We Stephen Smith and Benja: Booth Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Clary Wright the wife of Joseph Wright, Rhoda Wright, the wife of David Wright and Oney Meador the wife of Benjamin Meador, parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 3rd day of January 1823 and hereunto annexed, personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from their husbands and having the Deed aforesaid fully explained to them, they the said Clary Wright, Rhoda Wright and Oney Meador acknowledged the same to be their act and deed, and declared that they had willingly sign'd seal'd & deliver'd the same & that they wished not to retract it. Given under our hands & seals this 3rd day of January 1823.

Ste: Smith
Benjamin Booth

At the Clerk's Office of Franklin County the 6th day of January 1823.

This Indenture of Bargain and sale between Joseph Wright and Clary his wife . . . . . David Wright and Rhoda his wife, Berry Wright, Benjamin Meador and Oney his wife of the one part, and Turner Brown of the other part, was exhibited into the Office and together with the certificates hereon endorsed admitted to record.

Teste
Caleb Tate C.F.C."

The 1823 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed L B Wright with the following household on March 7:

Date of Receiving List	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	Slaves above 12 years of Age	Horses mares colts & Mules	Stud Horses &c	prices p Season $
March 7	L B Wright		1		

Riding Carriages	prices &c $	Amot of Tax $ Cts
		.12

The 1823 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed L B Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence		Description of Land
L B Wright	Bedford	80	On Stanton Waters

Distance & bearing from the Courthouse	Value of Land Per Acre	Sum added to the Land on a/c of the Buildings thereon	Total Value of Land	Amount of Tax on Land at 8 Cents for every $100 Value	Remarks
17W	4.50		360.00	.29	

On July 26, 1823, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 18/95 Littleberry Wright purchased 89 acres of land from Joshua and Lucy Noble:

> "This Indenture made this twenty sixth day of July one thousand eight hundred and twenty three between Joshua Noble & Lucy Noble his Wife of Bedford County & state of Virginia of the one Part and Littlebury Wright of the County of Bedford and state of Virginia of the other Part Witnesseth that the said Joshua Noble and Lucy Noble for and in Consideration of five hundred and Seven dollars and fifty Cents to them in hand paid the receipt Whereof they do hereby acknowledge hath granted bargained and sold and by these presents doth grant bargain and sell unto the said Littlebury Wright one Certain tract or parcel of land Containing eighty nine acres be the same more or less being the lot of No. 5

drawn by Thomas Wright of his father Joseph Wrights estate in Bedford County and bounded as followeth To Wit Begining at Pointers N 5 E 90 poles to a Red oak N 75 W 76 poles to a Red oak N 42 W 41 poles to a White oak W 32 poles to a White oak S 15 W 112 poles to pointers N 83 E 22 poles to a pine S 14 W 28 poles to a White oak N 88 E 110 poles to the Begining To Have and To Hold the said granted land and premises With all the appurtenances to the same belonging the said Joshua Noble and Lucy Noble doth by these presents bind themselves and their heirs to Warrant and forever defend the above granted land and premises free from the Just Claim of them or their heirs or any person or persons Whatsoever unto the said Littlebury Wright his heirs or assigns forever In Testimony Whereof the said Joshua Noble and Lucy Noble his Wife have hereunto set their hands & seals date as above

Joshua Noble
her
Lucy X Noble
mark

Bedford County To Wit

We William Shrewsbury and Lawrence McGeorge Magistrates of the said County do hereby Certify that Joshua Noble and Lucy Noble Parties to the Within Conveyance have duly acknowledged the same before us on the 26th July 1823 and desired us to Certify the said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Bedford in order that the Said Conveyance may be Recorded and We do further Certify Lucy Noble Wife of Joshua Noble Parties to a Certain deed for the Conveyance of real estate to Littlebury Wright bearing date 26th July 1823 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Lucy Noble acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had Willingly Signed Sealed and delivered the same and that she Wished Not to Retract it Given under our hands and Seals this 26th July 1823

Wm Shrewsbury
Lawrence McGeorge

At a Court held for Bedford County at the Courthouse thereof the 28th day of July 1823 This Indenture of bargain and sale between Joshua Noble & Lucy his Wife of the one Part and Littlebury Wright of the other Part Was Certified by two Magistrates for said County & ordered to be Recorded

Teste
Ja Steptoe CBC"

The 1824 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed L B Wright with the following household on May 7:

____	Names of persons Owning property	Blacks over 12	Horses mares &c	Riding Carriages & Stiud Horses	Amt of Tax
May 7	L B Wright		1		.12

The 1824 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed L B Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No. of Acres	Description of Land
L B Wright	Bedford	80	On Stanton
Do		89	On the same

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land pr Acre	Sum added to the Land on a/c of the buildings thereon	Total Value of Land	Amt of Tax on Land at 8 Cents for every $100 Valuation	
17W	4.50		360.00	.29	
18SW	7.74	200	688.86	.56	off Pashera(?) Noble

This record reflects the purchase of 89 acres of land by Bedford County Deed 18/95.

The 1825 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed L B Wright with the following household on May 5:

____	Names of Persons Owning Property	Blacks over 12 years	Horses &c	Riding Carriages	$
May 5	L B Wright		2		

Stud Horses	$	Amot of Tax $
		.24

The 1825 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed L B Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	Description of Land
L B Wright	Bedford	80	On Stanton
Do		89	On the same

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of Land per Acre	Sum added to the Land on a/c of the buildings thereon	Total value of Land	List of Tax on Land at 8 cts for every $100 Valuation	Remarks
17W	4.50		360.00	.29	
18SW	7.74	200	688.86	.56	

The 1826 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed L B Wright with the following household on May 13:

Date of Receiving List	Names of Persons Owning Property	White Tythes	Blacks Over 12	Horses &c	Stud Horses Carriages &c
May 13	L B Wright	1		2	

Amot of Tax $ Cts
.24

The 1826 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed L B Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Acres	Description of Land
L B Wright	Bedford	80	On Stanton
"		89	" "

Distance and Lying from the C. House	Value of Land pr Acre	Sum added to the Land for buildings thereon	Total Value of Land	List of Tax on Land at 8 cts for every $100 Valuation	Remarks
17W	4.50		360.00	.29	
18W	7.74	200	688.86	.56	

The 1827 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed L B Wright with the following household on April 6:

Date of Receiving Lists	Persons names chargeable with Tax	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mares colts & mules	Stud Horses	$
April 6	L B Wright		3		

Riding Carriages	Value of Carriages $	Amt of Tax $
		.36

The 1827 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed L B Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	Description of Land
L B Wright	Bedford	80	On Stanton
Do	"	89	On the Same

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land pr Acre	Sum added to Land on a/c of Buildings Thereon	Total Value of Land	List of Tax on Land at 8 cts for every $100 Valuation	Remarks
17W	4.50		360.00	.29	
18W	7.74	200	688.86	.56	

The 1828 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed L B Wright with the following household on April 9:

Date of Receiving	Persons Names Charged With Tax	Slaves Above 12 years of age	Horses Mares Colts & Mules
April 9	L B Wright		1

Stud Horses No $ Tax	____ & Harness No $ Tax	pheatons & Stage Waggons No. $ Tax	Amt. of Tax $ Cts
			.12

The 1828 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed L B Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	Description of Land
L B Wright	Bedford	80	on Stanton
"	"	89	on the same

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land pr Acre	Sum added to Land on a/c of Buildings Thereon	Total Value of Land	List of Tax on Land at 8 cts for every $199 Valuation	Remarks
17W	4.50		360.00	.29	
"	7.74	200	688.86	.56	

The 1829 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed L B Wright with the following household on April 4:

Date of Receiving Lists	Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White Tythes	Blacks	Horses Mules Colts & Mares	Stud No $ Cts
April 4	L B Wright		1	2	

Two wheeled riding Carriages & Harness not exceeding in value $100	Above the value of $100	Faytons Stage Waggons & Harness belonging thereto Carry Alls & Jersey Waggons	Amt of Tax
			.60

The 1829 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed L B Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	Description of Land
L B Wright	Bedford	80	On Stanton
"	"	89	On the Same

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land pr Acre	Sum added to Land on Act of the Buildings Thereon	Total value of Land	Amt of Tax on Land at 8 Cents for every $100 Valuation	
17W	4.50		360.00	.29	
18W	7.74	200	688.86	.56	

On November 6, 1829, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 22/177 Berry Wright purchased 50 acres of land from Joseph and Martha Wright:

> "This Indenture made and entered into this the 6" day of November in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and twenty nine between Joseph Wright of the one part of the County of Franklin & state of Virginia & Berry Wright of the County of

Bedford of the other part Witnesseth, that the said Joseph Wright for and in the consideration of the sum of two hundred dollars to him in hand paid the receipt whereof is acknowledged hath granted, bargained, and sold unto the said Berry Wright of the County of Bedford one certain tract or parcel of land containing fifty akers lying in the County of Bedford on Staunton river, it being the land that Mary Greer deceased of the estate of Joseph Wright Deceased, and beginning at an oak on Staunton river, thence along Samuel Morgans line and crossing branch and waggon road to a white oak, thence along Berry Wrights line to the river, thence up the river as it meanders to the first station To have & to hold the said tract of land together with all the appurtenancy thereunto belonging unto the said Berry Wright his heirs or assigns forever. And the said Joseph Wright and Martha his wife doth by these presents warrant and defend the rite and title of the said tract of land free from the claim or claims of them the said Joseph Wright and Martha his wife his heirs and from all other persons whatsoever unto the said Berry Wright his heirs forever. In Witness whereof the said Joseph Wright & Martha his wife hath hereunto set their hands & seals the day and year above written.

Joseph Wright
Martha Wright

Franklin County to Wit. We Stephen Wood & Benjamin Boothe Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid and state of Virginia do hereby certify that Joseph Wright partie to a certain deed barring date on the 6th day of November 1829 hareunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and desired us to certify the said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Bedford in order that the said deed may be recorded. Given under our hands & seals the 6th day of November 1829

Stephen Wood
Benjamin Booth

Franklin County to wit. We Stephen Wood & Benjamin Boothe Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid and state of Virginia personally appeared Martha Wright wife of Joseph Wright parties to a certain deed barring date on the 6th day of November and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband & having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her she said Martha Wright acknowledged the same to be her act and deed & declared that she had willingly signed,

sealed, and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it Given under our hands & seals this 6th day of Novemer 1829

Stephen Wood J.P.
Benjamin Booth

Bedford Clerks Office June 7th 1830

This Indenture of bargain & sale together with the Certificate of acknowledgement and relinquishment of dower thereto annexed, was produced in the Office & admitted to record.

Teste
R S Mitchell C.B.C."

In March 1830 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 23/65 Littleberry Wright was appointed to view a way for a road to Staunton River:

"Ordered that Edmund Pate, Anthony Wright, James Mayse, Littleberry Wright and Elijah Carner or any three of them being first sworn do view a way for a road from Dr. Cabells Mill to James Paynes ford on Stanton river, and report to Court, truly and impartially the conveniences and inconveniences that will result as well to individuals as to the public generally in Case said proposed Road Should be established"

The 1830 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed L B Wright with the following household in April:

Date of Receiving Lists	Names of Persons Owning Property 31st January 1830	White Tithes	Blacks over 12 Years	Horses Mules &c	Stud Horses
April __	L B Wright	1		2	

Price of Tax	Riding Carriages	Price of	Amount of Tax
			.16

The 1830 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed L B Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	Description of Land
L B Wright	Bedford	80	On Stanton
Do	"	89	On the Same

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land P Acre	Sum added to the Land On Account of the Build-ing Thereon	Total Value of Land	Amt of Tax on land at 8 Cents for Every $100 Value	
17W	4.50		360.00	.29	
18W	7.74	200	688.86	.56	

The 1831 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed L B Wright with the following household on January 31:

List	Names of Persons Owning Property 31st of Jany 1831	Blacks of 12 years	Horses Coalts &c	Riding Carrages	Stud Horses	Amt of Tax
	L B Wright		1			.06

The 1831 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed L B Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	description of Land January 1st 1831
L B Wright	Bedford	80	On Stanton
Do	"	89	On the Same
Do	"	50	On the Same

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land pr Acre	Sum added to the Land on a/c of the building thereon	Total value of Land	Amt of tax on land at 8 cents for Every $100 Valuation	Remarks
17W	4.50		360.00	.29	
" "	7.74	200	688.86	.56	
" "	6.00		300.00	.24	

This record reflects the purchase of 50 acres of land by Bedford County Deed 22/177.

The 1832 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed L B Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving list	Names of persons Owning property January 31st 1832	White Tithes	Blacks Over 12 yrs. old	Horses Colts &c	Stud Horses
	L B Wright	1		1	

Riding Carriages	Amt of Tax
	.06

The 1832 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed L B Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	description of Land January 1st 1831
L B Wright	Bed	80	On Staunton
do	"	89	On the Same
do	"	50	On the Same

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land pr Acre	Sum Added to Land on A/C of building thereon	Total value of Land	Amt of tax on land at 8 cents for Every $100 Valuation	Remarks
17W	4.50		360.00	.29	
" "	7.74	200	688.86	.56	
" "	6.00		300.00	.24	

The 1833 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed L B Wright with the following household:

	Names of persons Owning property January 1st 1833	White Tithes	Blacks Over 12	Horses, Colts, Mules &c
	L B Wright	1	1	2

Riding Carriages	Stud Horses	_____	Amt of Tax
			.37

The 1833 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed L. B. Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners of Land	Residence	No. of Acres	Description of Land January 1st 1833
L. B. Wright	Bed	80	On Staunton
Do	"	89	On the Same
Do	"	50	On the Same

Distance & bearing from the court house	Value of Land pr Acre	Sum added to Land on a/c of building thereon	Total Value of Land	Amt of tax on land at 8 cts pr $100 worth	For the Auditor
17 W	4.50		360.00	.29	
" "	7.74	200	688.86	.56	
" "	6.00		300.00	.24	

The 1834 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed L B Wright with the following household:

_____	Names of persons Owning property the 31st of January 1834	White Tithes	Blacks Over 12 Years	Horses Mares &c.
	L B Wright	1		2

Stud Horses	Carriages &c	Amt of Tax
		.12

The 1834 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed L B Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	Description of Land January 1st 1834
L B Wright	Bed	80	On Staunton
do	"	89	On the Same
do	"	50	On the Same

Distance& bearing from the Court house	Value of Land per Acre	Sum added to Land on a/c of buildings thereon	Total Value of Land	Amot of Tax on Land at 8 cents for every $100	____
17 W	4.50		360.00	.29	
" "	7.74	200	688.86	.56	
" "	6.00		300.00	.24	

The 1835 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed L B Wright with the following household:

_____	Names of persons Owning property the 31st of January 1835	White Tithes	Blacks Over 12	Horses Colts &c
	L B Wright	1		3

Riding Carriages	Stud Horses	Amount of Tax
		.18

The 1835 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed L B Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of acres	Description of land January 1st 1835
L B Wright		80	On Staunton
do		89	On the Same
do		50	On the Same

Distance & Bearing from the Court House	Value of land per acre	Sum Added to the Land on accout of Buildings thereon	Total Value of Land	Amount of tax on land at 8 Cts for every G100	
17 W	4.50		360.00	.29	
" "	7.74	200	688.86	.56	
" "	6.00		300.00	.24	

The 1836 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed L B Wright with the following household:

	Names of persons Owning property 1st of January 1836	White Tithes	Blacks Over 12	Horses
	L B Wright	1		2

Carriages & Stud Horses	Amount of Tax
	.12

The 1836 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed L B Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of acres	Description of land January 1st 1836
L B Wright		80	On Staunton
do		89	On the Same
do		50	On the Same

Distance & Bearing from the Court House	Value of land pr acre	Improvements Added to the Land On account of Buildings thereon	Total Value of Land	Amount of Tax On Land	
17 SW	4.50		360.00	.29	
" "	7.74	200	688.86	.56	
" "	6.00		300.00	.24	

The 1837 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed L B Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	Description of land January 1st 1837
L B Wright		80	On Staunton
do		89	On the Same
do		50	On the Same

Distance & Bearing from the Court House	Value of land pr Acre	Improvements added to the Land On Account of Buildings thereon	Total Value of Land	Amount of Tax On Land	
17 SW	4.50		360.00	.29	
" "	7.74	200	688.86	.56	
" "	6.00		300.00	.24	

On March 8, 1837, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 26/128 Littleberry and Elizabeth Wright sold 210 acres of land to John F. B. Turner:

> "This Indenture made this 8th day of March one thousand eight hundred and thirty seven, between Littleberry Wright and Elizabeth his wife of the County of Bedford of the one part and John S. B. Turner of the said County of the other part Witnesseth that the said Littleberry Wright and Elizabeth his wife for and in consideration of the sum of nine hundred dollars to them in hand paid the receipt whereof they do hereby acknowledge hath given, granted, bargained and sold and doth by these presents give, grant, bargain and confirm unto the said John S. B. Turner his heirs and assigns forever one certain Tract or parcel of land containing two hundred and ten acres be the same more or less it lying and being in Bedford County and Staunton river and bounded as followeth Viz Beginning at Staunton river, thence along Matthew Andersons lines to Lewis Morgans line, thence along said Morgans lines to William Thomasons line, thence along said Thomasons line to Wright Wrights line, thence along Wrights line to Isaiah Comptons line, thence along said Comptons line to Staunton river, thence up said river as it meanders to the beginning To have and to hold the said granted land and premises with every appurtenance thereunto belonging unto him the said John S B Turner his heirs and assigns forever and the said Littleberry Wright and Elizabeth his wife the above granted land and premises unto him the said John S. B. Turner his heirs ____ assigns will warrant and

forever defend. In Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and affixed our seals the day and date above written

Little Berry Wright
her
Elizabeth X Wright
mark"

Bedford County to Wit

We Matthew Pate and William Mead Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia, do hereby certify that Littleberry Wright a party to a certain deed bearing date on the 8" day of March 1837 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and desired us to certify the said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Bedford and order that the said deed may be recorded. Given under our hands & seals this 13" day of March 1827.

Matthew Pate
William Mead

Bedford Clerks Office April 20" 1827

This Indenture of bargain and sale from Littleberry Wright & wife to John S B Turner, was produced in Office and together with the certificate of the acknowledgement of said Littleberry Wright thereto annexed admitted to record

Teste
Ro C Mitchell CBC"

The History of Union Baptist Church, Hardin County Kentucky 1808-1867, stated that Berry Wright was received into the church in June 1837 and L. B. or Berry Wright dismissed by letter in May 1841.

Bedford County Deed 26/128 in conjunction with the Union Baptist Church record indicate that Littleberry and Elizabeth (Meador) Wright left Bedford County some time after March 8, 1837, and arrived in Hardin County, Kentucky, by June 1837.

In her letter dated October 17, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorf stated that the 1860 census of Meade County, Kentucky, listed Littleberry Wright as 69 years old, indicating his birth date as 1791 at Virginia, and listed Elizabeth (Meador) Wright as born about 1792 at Virginia.

On June 19, 1873, at Meade County, Kentucky, Deed Book P/139 Littleberry Wright filed the following declaration regarding his family:

"Meade County State of Kentucky, United States of America the nineteenth day of June A.D. One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventh Three,

I Little Berry Wright of the County State and Country aforesaid was born March the 25th twenty ____ day One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety One in the State of Virginia near Bedford or Franklin County. My father was named Joseph Wright Jr. of Bedford County Virginia. he was a Son of Joseph Wright Sr. of the County of Bedford and State aforesaid who was my grandfather.

To the best of my Knowledge my grandfathers, Father was named Joseph Wright and moved from England to this Country before the Independence of the United States, and married a Miss Kemp, in the Teritory now Known as the State of Maryland and afterwards removed to what is now Known as Bedford County Virginia and lived there until his death.

My Great Grand Father and mother had nine children, two Sons Joseph, and John. Seven daughters Elizabeth who never married and Dorcus are the only names of the daughters that I remember but Know that four of the girls married One married a man by the name of Smoot (?) but had no children by him the three others that were married married men by the names of May, Day & Scott,

My Grand Father had five children by his first wife which was my Grand mother the names of which was Thomas, Mary, Milly, John and Joseph, The names of the children by his Second wife was named Aggie Nancy, Basheba, Judith, Martha, Mathew & Wright-Wright making twelve in all. My own father Joseph Wright Jr. married Mary Cook for his first wife and had three children by her, named David, John & Berry, his first wife Mary Cook was my mother, He married for his second wife Clara Drake and had one child by her named Martin G. Wright, He married for his third wife Martha Poggins by whom he had four children named Elizabeth, Frank, Louise and Mary.

Martin G. Wright son of the said Joseph Wright by his Second wife Clara Drake married Delila McCormick by whom he had eleven children named Poling (?) - Riley - Elvira - Polisty - Lucretia Minerva - Clarinda - Joseph Henry - Gilbert - Sanford - Delila -

My Grand father raised me from my infancy and I recollect well that my Grand father had in his possession a chest of papers that was sent to his father from England in reference to a large amount of money coming to him from an estate in England and that he employed a man by the name of Joseph Penuell to go to England and get said money for him but he failed to go to England claiming that

he was taken sick and could not go, and gave the papers back to my Grand father who put them back in the Chest. I staid with my Grandfather until his death, and his son Mathew Wright and his Son in law James Mays administered on his estate and after the Sale was over James Mays brought the chest of papers out and stated that the whole amount of the Sale was not worth anything compared with this meaning the chest of papers -

I myself married Elizabeth Meadows on the twentieth of December A.D. One Thousand Eight hundred and Seventeen in Bedford County Virginia and had by her ten daughters three of whom are dead, the names of those living are as follows. Marinda J. Stith, Drucilla F. Fife, Rhoda M. Pearman, Luticia Stith, Elizabeth Hudspeth, Oney Stith, Crittera Heagan.

Attest L. B. Wright
H.C. Rawlings
R.C. Craycroft

Meade County Kentucky June the Nineteenth day One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy three. We the undersigned heirs of Joseph Wright dec do hereby apoint constitute and ordain Riley Wright as our legal and lawful agent and attorney in fact, to settle and colect to Sue or bring Suit and act for us, and it be binding in law as though we had signed them ourselves. to serch and obtain and get an estate that is in England coming to the Wright heirs and we bind Ourselves to pay to the Said Riley Wright all expenses that he may have to pay out on Said business each paying his proportional part of said cost and Expences, that the Said Riley Wright may have to pay in traveling, Lawyer fees Records etc and all other expences that he may be at as witness we the heirs of sd Estate we set our hands and seals day and date above mention.

his
L. B. X Wright
Mark
Marinda J. Stith
G. D. Wright
his
G.(?) T. X Wright
mark
James A. Miller
G. M. Frakes
J. T. Yates
Jas. D. Heskins
W. H. Frakes
Daniel G. Frakes - Witness S.C. Malin"

James K. Wright
W. J. Ritchie
M. R. C. Wright
John Morris
William Lockard Jr.
J. H. Wright
his
S. R.(?) X Wright
mark

This record identifies Littleberry Wright's family as follows:

Wife: Elizabeth (Meadows) Wright

Children:
1) Marinda J. (Wright) Stith,
2) Daniella F. (Wright) Fife,
3) Rhoda M. (Wright) Pearman,
4) Luticia (Wright) Stith,
5) Elizabeth (Wright) Hudspeth,
6) Oney (Wright) Stith,
7) Crittera (Wright) Heagan,
8) ____ Wright (daughter),
9) ____ Wright (daughter), and
10) ____ Wright (daughter).

In her letter dated October 17, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff enclosed family group sheets which stated that Little Berry Wright was born in 1791 in Virginia, married Elizabeth Meador on December 18, 1815, at Bedford County, Virginia, and resided in Virginia and Kentucky and in 1860 in Meade County, Kentucky, that Elizabeth (Meador) Wright was born about 1792 in Virginia, and that they had the following children:

1) Mary Ann or C. (Wright) (Hambrick) Aubry, born in 1816 in Virginia;
2) Rhoda Ann or M. (Wright) Pearman, born in 1819 in Virginia;
3) Marinda J. (Wright) Stith, born in 1821 at Bedford County, Virginia;
4) Leticia (Wright) Stith, born in 1825 at Bedford County, Virginia;
5) Elizabeth (Wright) Hudspeth, born in 1829 in Virginia;
6) Keturah (Wright) Hagan, born in 1832 or 1833 at Bedford County, Virginia; and
7) Drusilla F. (Wright) Fife.

In his letter dated June 26, 1997, Donald J. Havlicek enclosed family group sheets which stated that Littleberry Wright was a son of Joseph Wright, was born on May 25, 1791, married Elizabeth Meador on December 20, 1815, and resided in Kentucky in about 1839 and that Littleberry Wright and Elizabeth (Meador) Wright had the following children:

1) Miranda J. (Wright) Stith, born about 1821,

2) Leticia (Wright) Stith, born about 1825,

3) Drusilla Wright,

4) Rhoda M. (Wright) Pearman,

5) Oney Wright,

6) Elizabeth (Wright) Hudspeth, born about 1829, and

7) Keturah Wright, born on April 28, 1832.

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below the children of Littleberry Wright and Elizabeth (Meador) Wright were the following:

1) Mary Ann or C. (Wright) (Hambrick) Aubry, born about 1816 at Virginia,

2) Rhoda M. (Wright) Pearman, born about 1819 at Virginia,

3) Marinda J. (Wright) Stith, born about 1821 at Bedford County, Virginia,

4) Leticia or Latitia (Wright) Stith, born about 1825 at Bedford County, Virginia,

5) Elizabeth (Wright) Hudspeth, born about 1829 at Virginia,

6) Keturah or Crittera (Wright) Hagan or Heagan, born on April 28, 1832, at Bedford County, Virginia,

7) Drusilla F. (Wright) Fife,

8) Oney (Wright) Stith,

9) ____ Wright, and

10) ____ Wright.

I. Mary Ann Or C. (Wright) (Hambrick) Aubry And Her Husbands James Hambrick And Thomas Aubry

Mary Ann or C. (Wright) (Hambrick) Aubry was a daughter of Littleberry Wright and Elizabeth (Meador) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], Littleberry[4])

The marriage bond of Mary C. Wright, daughter of Littleberry, and James Hambrick was dated on April 4, 1836, at Bedford County, Virginia, with James Dickerson as surety:

"Bedford County Va April the 4 1836

To the Clerk of Bedford County Court Robert Mitchel Sir you will pleas to grant James Hambrick Licence to Marry my Daughter Marry C Wright of this County

Test
Martin Mason
Benja Meador
James Dickerson

Little Berry his X mark Wright

Know all men by these presents, That we James Hambirch and James Dickerson are held and firmly bound unto Littleton W. Tazewell Esqr. Governor or Chief Magistrate of the Commonwealth of Virginia, in the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, current money of Virginia, to which payment well and truly to be made, to the said Governor, or his successors in office, we bind ourselves, our heirs, &c. Sealed and dated this 4th day of April, 1836.

The condition of the above obligation is such, That whereas a Marriage is shortly intended to be had and solemnized, between the above bound James Hambrick and Mary C. Wright Now, if there shall be no lawful cause to obstruct said Marriage, then the above obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

Witness,
Jno. R. Steptoe

James his X mark Hambrick
James Dickerson"

The declaration of Littleberry Wright dated June 19, 1873, at Meade County, Kentucky, D.B. P/139 stated that he and his wife Elizabeth Meadows had ten daughters, three of whom were dead:

". . . . I myself married Elizabeth Meadows on the twentieth of December A.D. One Thousand Eight hundred and Seventeen in Bedford County Virginia and had by her ten daughters three of whom are dead, the names of those living are as follows: Marinda J. Stith, Drucilla F. Fife, Rhoda M. Pearman, Luticia Stith, Elizabeth Hudspeth, Oney Stith, Crittera Heagan.

L. B. Wright. . . ."

The failure to name a Mary C. among his daughters indicates that Mary C. had died before June 19, 1873.

In her letter dated October 17, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff enclosed family group sheets which stated that Mary Ann Wright was a daughter of Littleberry Wright and Elizabeth (Meador) Wright, was born in 1816 in Virginia, married first ____ Hambrick on June 8, 1840, at Meade County, Kentucky, and married second Thomas Aubry on October 11, 1847.

ii. Rhoda M. (Wright) Pearman And Her Husband Ransom A. Pearman

Rhoda M. (Wright) Pearman was a daughter of Littleberry Wright and Elizabeth (Meador) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], Littleberry[4])

The declaration of Littleberry Wright dated June 19, 1873, at Meade County, Kentucky, D.B. P/139 stated that he and his wife Elizabeth Meadows had ten daughters, one of whom was Rhoda M. Pearman:

> ". . . . I myself married Elizabeth Meadows on the twentieth of December A.D. One Thousand Eight hundred and Seventeen in Bedford County Virginia and had by her ten daughters three of whom are dead, the names of those living are as follows: Marinda J. Stith, Drucilla F. Fife, Rhoda M. Pearman, Luticia Stith, Elizabeth Hudspeth, Oney Stith, Crittera Heagan.
>
> L. B. Wright. . . ."

In her letter dated October 17, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff enclosed family group sheets which stated that Rhoda M. Wright was a daughter of Littleberry Wright and Elizabeth (Meador) Wright, was born in 1819 in Virginia, and married Ransom A. Pearman on December 29, 1846, at Meade County, Kentucky, and that Ransom P. Pearman was born in 1823 in Kentucky.

In his letter dated June 26, 1997, Donald J. Havlicek enclosed family group sheets which stated that Rhoda M. Wright was a daughter of Littleberry Wright and Elizabeth (Meador) Wright and married Ransom A. Pearman on December 29, 1846.

iii. Marinda J. (Wright) Stith, Her Husband Griffith Stith, And Her Descendants

Marinda J. (Wright) Stith was a daughter of Littleberry Wright and Elizabeth (Meador) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], Littleberry[4])

The declaration of Littleberry Wright dated June 19, 1873, at Meade County, Kentucky, D.B. P/139 stated that he and his wife Elizabeth Meadows had ten daughters, one of whom was Marinda J. Stith:

> ". . . . I myself married Elizabeth Meadows on the twentieth of December A.D. One Thousand Eight hundred and Seventeen in Bedford County Virginia and had by her ten daughters three of whom are dead, the names of those living are as follows: Marinda J. Stith, Drucilla F. Fife, Rhoda M. Pearman, Luticia Stith, Elizabeth Hudspeth, Oney Stith, Crittera Heagan.
>
> L. B. Wright. . . ."

In her letter dated October 17, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff enclosed family group sheets which stated that Marinda J. Wright was a daughter of Littleberry Wright and Elizabeth (Meador) Wright, was born in 1821 in Bedford County, Virginia, married Griffin Stith on October 11, 1847, at Meade County, Kentucky, that Griffin Stith was born in 1803 in Virginia, and that they had the following children:

1) Magdalane Stith, born about 1850,
2) E. T. Stith, a daughter, born about 1852,
3) Albert J. Stith, born about 1853,
4) Eldridge M. Stith, born about 1855,
5) Belle Stith, born about 1856,
6) Ada C. Stith, born about 1858, and
7) Noble Butler Stith, born about 1859.

In his letter dated June 26, 1997, Donald J. Havlicek enclosed family group sheets which stated that Miranda J. Wright was a daughter of Littleberry Wright and Elizabeth (Meador) Wright, was born about 1821, and married Griffin or Griffith Stith on October 11, 1847, that Griffin Stith was born on September 2, 1802, and died on

November 5, 1860, and that Miranda J. (Wright) Stith and Griffin Stith had the following children:

1) Magdalen V. Stith, born about 1850,
2) Edwina Taft (Stith) Shumate, born on June 4, 1851,
3) Albert G. Stith, born on January 7, 1853,
4) Eldridge McGeehee Stith, born on October 18, 1854,
5) Belle Zora or Dora (Stith) Hodges, born on May 25, 1856,
6) Ada Catherine Stith, born on March 2, 1858, and
7) Noble Butler Stith, born on March 1, 1860.

iv. Leticia Or Latitia (Wright) Stith And Her Husband Hubbard K. Stith

Letitia or Latitia (Wright) Stith was a daughter of Littleberry Wright and Elizabeth (Meador) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], Littleberry[4])

The declaration of Littleberry Wright dated June 19, 1873, at Meade County, Kentucky, D.B. P/139 stated that he and his wife Elizabeth Meadows had ten daughters, one of whom was Lutitia Stith:

> ". . . . I myself married Elizabeth Meadows on the twentieth of December A.D. One Thousand Eight hundred and Seventeen in Bedford County Virginia and had by her ten daughters three of whom are dead, the names of those living are as follows: Marinda J. Stith, Drucilla F. Fife, Rhoda M. Pearman, Luticia Stith, Elizabeth Hudspeth, Oney Stith, Crittera Heagan.
>
> L. B. Wright. . . ."

In her letter dated October 17, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff enclosed family group sheets which stated that Leticia Wright was a daughter of Littleberry Wright and Elizabeth (Meador) Wright, was born in 1825 in Bedford County, Virginia, and married Hubbard K. Stith on September 14, 1854, at Meade County, Kentucky.

In his letter dated June 26, 1997, Donald J. Havlicek enclosed family group sheets which stated that Leticia Wright was a daughter of Littleberry Wright and

Elizabeth (Meador) Wright, was born about 1825 and married Hubbard K. Stith on September 14, 1854.

In her email dated February 17, 1998, Toni Buck stated that Latitia Wright was a daughter of Littleberry Wright and Elizabeth (Meador) Wright, was born in about 1825 at Virginia, and married Hubbard K. Stith on September 14, 1854, at Meade County, Kentucky.

v. Elizabeth (Wright) Hudspeth, Her Husband Samuel H. Hudspeth, And Her Descendants

Elizabeth (Wright) Hudspeth was a daughter of Littleberry Wright and Elizabeth (Meador) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], Littleberry[4])

The declaration of Littleberry Wright dated June 19, 1873, at Meade County, Kentucky, D.B. P/139 stated that he and his wife Elizabeth Meadows had ten daughters, one of whom was Elizabeth Hudspeth:

> ". . . . I myself married Elizabeth Meadows on the twentieth of December A.D. One Thousand Eight hundred and Seventeen in Bedford County Virginia and had by her ten daughters three of whom are dead, the names of those living are as follows: Marinda J. Stith, Drucilla F. Fife, Rhoda M. Pearman, Luticia Stith, Elizabeth Hudspeth, Oney Stith, Crittera Heagan.
>
> L. B. Wright. . . ."

In her letter dated October 17, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff enclosed family group sheets which stated that Elizabeth Wright was a daughter of Littleberry Wright and Elizabeth (Meador) Wright, was born in 1829 in Virginia, and married Samuel H. Hudspeth on September 2, 1852, at Meade County, Kentucky.

In his letter dated June 26, 1997, Donald J. Havlicek enclosed family group sheets which stated that Elizabeth Wright was a daughter of Littleberry Wright and Elizabeth (Meador) Wright, was born about 1829 and married ____ Hudspeth and that Elizabeth (Wright) Hudspeth and ____ Hudspeth had the following children:

1) Letitia Hudspeth, born about 1854,
2) Ben F. Hudspeth, born about 1856, and

3) Belle Hudspeth, born about 1857.

In her email dated February 17, 1998, Toni Buck stated that Elizabeth Wright was a daughter of Littleberry Wright and Elizabeth (Meador) Wright, was born in 1829 at Virginia, and married Samuel H. Hudspeth on September 20, 1852, at Meade County, Kentucky, and resided in 1860 at Meade County, Kentucky.

vi. Keturah Or Crittera (Wright) Hagan, Her Husband Cyprian Hagan, And Her Descendants

Keturah or Crittera (Wright) Hagan was a daughter of Littleberry Wright and Elizabeth (Meador) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], Littleberry[4])

The declaration of Littleberry Wright dated June 19, 1873, at Meade County, Kentucky, D.B. P/139 stated that he and his wife Elizabeth Meadows had ten daughters, one of whom was Crittera Heagan:

> ". . . . I myself married Elizabeth Meadows on the twentieth of December A.D. One Thousand Eight hundred and Seventeen in Bedford County Virginia and had by her ten daughters three of whom are dead, the names of those living are as follows: Marinda J. Stith, Drucilla F. Fife, Rhoda M. Pearman, Luticia Stith, Elizabeth Hudspeth, Oney Stith, Crittera Heagan.
>
> L. B. Wright. . . ."

In her letter dated March 30, 1998, Toni Buck stated that the records of St. Stephens' Church, Indian Creek, Monroe County, Missouri, listed the following:

> "Catherine Wright
> Christened: 31 Mar 1864
> St. Stephens', Indian Creek
> Father: Littleberry Wright
> Mother: Elizabeth Meador"

In that same letter Toni Buck enclosed the following obituary for Keturah (Wright) Hagan:

> "Aged Lady Dies
> Mrs. Kitty Hagan, 85 Years Old Died Near Indian Creek Wednesday, Funeral at That Place Today
>
> ---

Mrs. Kitty Hagan, 85 years old died at her home near Indian Creek, Wednesday, February 14. Deceased was born in Virginia. With her husband, the late Sipient Hagan, she came to Missouri from Kentucky in 1865, the couple locating on the farm near Indian Creek where she spent the remainder of her life. Her husband died thirty-nine years ago.

She was the mother of eight children, four of whom survive. These are: Charles Hagan of Kansas, Albert and Victor Hagan of South Dakota, and Sipient Hagan, of Indian Creek.

Funeral services will be held at St. Stephens' Church at Indian Creek this morning at 9 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Fr. Thos. C. Fox. Interment will be in the cemetery of that church."

In her letter dated October 17, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff enclosed family group sheets which stated that Keturah Wright was a daughter of Littleberry Wright and Elizabeth (Meador) Wright, was born in about 1832 in Bedford County, Virginia, married Cyprian Hagan on November 13, 1855, at Meade County, Kentucky, that Cyprian Hagan was born in 1808, and that they had the following children:

1) Charles Hagan, born in 1857,

2) Theodore Hagan, born in 1858, and

3) Cyprian Hagan, born in 1859.

In his letter dated June 26, 1997, Donald J. Havlicek enclosed family group sheets which stated that Keturah Wright was a daughter of Littleberry Wright and Elizabeth (Meador) Wright and was born on April 28, 1832.

In her email dated February 17, 1998, and her letter dated March 30, 1998, Toni Buck stated that Keturah Wright was a daughter of Littleberry Wright and Elizabeth (Meador) Wright, was born on April 28, 1832, at Virginia, married Cyprian Hagan on November 13, 1855, at Meade County, Kentucky, died on February 14, 1917, at Indian Creek, Monroe County, Missouri, and was buried at St. Stephens Cemetery, Indian Creek, Monroe County, Missouri, that Cyprian Hagan was born on October 7, 1808, at Nelson County, Kentucky, married first Sarah Grant, died on September 2, 1877, and was buried at St. Stephens Cemetery, Indian Creek, Monroe County, Missouri, and that Keturah (Wright) Hagan and Cyprian Hagan had the following children:

1) Charles Electious Hagan, born on August 30, 1856, at Meade County, Kentucky,

2) Theodore Hagan, born on December 13, 1857, at Meade County, Kentucky,

3) Cyprian Hagan, born on August 11, 1859, at Meade County, Kentucky,

4) Elnora O. (Hagan) Woolsey, born on July 23, 1861, at Meade County, Kentucky,

5) Mary Edwina Hagan, born on November 16, 1863, at Indian Creek, Monroe County, Missouri,

6) Sarah Elizabeth Hagan, born on August 24, 1866, at Indian Creek, Monroe County, Missouri,

7) Albert Sidney Hagan, born on August 25, 1869, at Indian Creek, Monroe County, Missouri, and

8) Victor Hagan, born on May 24, 1872, at Indian Creek, Monroe County, Missouri.

vii. Drusilla F. (Wright) Fife And Her Husband Comodore P. Fife

Drusilla F. (Wright) Fife was a daughter of Littleberry Wright and Elizabeth (Meador) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], Littleberry[4])

The declaration of Littleberry Wright dated June 19, 1873, at Meade County, Kentucky, D.B. P/139 stated that he and his wife Elizabeth Meadows had ten daughters, one of whom was Drucilla F. Fife:

> ". . . . I myself married Elizabeth Meadows on the twentieth of December A.D. One Thousand Eight hundred and Seventeen in Bedford County Virginia and had by her ten daughters three of whom are dead, the names of those living are as follows: Marinda J. Stith, Drucilla F. Fife, Rhoda M. Pearman, Luticia Stith, Elizabeth Hudspeth, Oney Stith, Crittera Heagan.
>
> L. B. Wright. . . ."

In her letter dated October 17, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff enclosed family group sheets which stated that Drusilla F. Wright was a daughter of Littleberry Wright and Elizabeth (Meador) Wright and married Comodore P. Fife on October 22, 1846.

In his letter dated June 26, 1997, Donald J. Havlicek enclosed family group sheets which stated that Drusilla Wright was a daughter of Littleberry Wright and Elizabeth (Meador) Wright.

viii. Oney (Wright) Stith And Her Husband _____ Stith

Oney (Wright) Stith was a daughter of Littleberry Wright and Elizabeth (Meador) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], Littleberry[4])

The declaration of Littleberry Wright dated June 19, 1873, at Meade County, Kentucky, D.B. P/139 stated that he and his wife Elizabeth Meadows had ten daughters, one of whom was Oney Stith:

> ". . . . I myself married Elizabeth Meadows on the twentieth of December A.D. One Thousand Eight hundred and Seventeen in Bedford County Virginia and had by her ten daughters three of whom are dead, the names of those living are as follows: Marinda J. Stith, Drucilla F. Fife, Rhoda M. Pearman, Luticia Stith, Elizabeth Hudspeth, Oney Stith, Crittera Heagan.
>
> L. B. Wright. . . ."

In his letter dated June 26, 1997, Donald J. Havlicek enclosed family group sheets which stated that Oney Wright was a daughter of Littleberry Wright and Elizabeth (Meador) Wright.

ix. _____ Wright

_____ Wright was a daughter of Littleberry Wright and Elizabeth (Meador) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], Littleberry[4])

The declaration of Littleberry Wright dated June 19, 1873, at Meade County, Kentucky, D.B. P/139 stated that he and his wife Elizabeth Meadows had ten daughters:

> ". . . . I myself married Elizabeth Meadows on the twentieth of December A.D. One Thousand Eight hundred and Seventeen in Bedford County Virginia and had by her ten daughters three of whom are dead, the names of those living are

as follows: Marinda J. Stith, Drucilla F. Fife, Rhoda M. Pearman, Luticia Stith, Elizabeth Hudspeth, Oney Stith, Crittera Heagan.

L. B. Wright. . . ."

Although eight of the daughters have been identified, the name of this ninth daughter has not as yet been found.

x. _____Wright

_____ Wright was a daughter of Littleberry Wright and Elizabeth (Meador) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], Littleberry[4])

The declaration of Littleberry Wright dated June 19, 1873, at Meade County, Kentucky, D.B. P/139 stated that he and his wife Elizabeth Meadows had ten daughters:

". . . . I myself married Elizabeth Meadows on the twentieth of December A.D. One Thousand Eight hundred and Seventeen in Bedford County Virginia and had by her ten daughters three of whom are dead, the names of those living are as follows: Marinda J. Stith, Drucilla F. Fife, Rhoda M. Pearman, Luticia Stith, Elizabeth Hudspeth, Oney Stith, Crittera Heagan.

L. B. Wright. . . ."

Although eight of the daughters have been identified, the name of this tenth daughter has not as yet been found.

d. 1856 Martin G. Wright Of Hardin County, Kentucky, His Wives Delilah (McCormick) Wright And Elizabeth (Cecil) Wright, And His Descendants

1856 Martin G. Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, was a son of 1844 Joseph Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and his second wife Clarissa (Drake) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3])

The marriage bond of Martin Wright, son of Joseph and Clarry, and Delilah McCormack, daughter of Dennis and Polly, was dated on September 28, 1812, at Bedford County, Virginia, with Jeremiah Meadow as surety:

"Sir please to give licens between my daughter delily and Martin Right and you will much Oblige yours

Mr James Stepto
Test Jeremiah Meador
Test Rachel Meadow

Dennis his X mark McCormack

and Polly her X mark McCormack

September 27th 1812

Sir please to give licens between my Son martin and delily Mcomack and you will much Oblige yours

Mr James Stepto
test Bary Right
Test Jeremiah Meador

Joseph his X mark Right and

Clarry her X mark Right

October 1th 1812

Know all men by these presents that we Martin Wright & Jereh Meador are held and firmly bound unto James Barber Esqr Govenor or Cheif magistrate of the Commonwealth of Virginia in the sum of One hundred and fifty dollars Va currency for the true payment of which to the said Govenor or his successors we bind ourselves & each of us our & each of our heirs Exors &c firmly by these presents sealed & dated this 28th day of Sep 1812 - The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas there is a marriage shortly intended to be had & solemnized between the above bound Martin Wright & Delilah McCormack now if there shall be no lawfull cause to obstruct the sd marriage then the above obligation to be void else remain in full force and virtue

Martin his X mark Wright

Jeremiah Meadow"

The 1813 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Martin G. Wright with the following household:

Date When Lists	Persons Names owning property 1813	White males over 16	Blacks over 16 years	Blacks 12 & Under 16	Horses colts mares& Mules
	Martin G. Wright	1			1

Giggs & Riding Carriages of all kinds
2 & 4 wheels Stud horses jacks Mills &
Licence Ordinary Licence &c

This record indicates that Martin G. Wright was born before 1798.

On October 13, 1814, at Franklin County, D.B. 7/205 Martin G. Wright acted as a witness to the gift deed from 1815 Joseph Wright of Bedford County to his grandsons and Martin's brothers David Wright and Littleberry Wright.

The 1815 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Martin Wright with the following property:

Dates of Receiving lists from individuals	Persons Names Charged with the Tax	No of white males above 16 years old
	Martin Wright	1

Slaves over 9 and und 12 years old	Slaves over 12 years old	Slaves above 16 years old	Horses Mules mares & Colts	Stud Horses No	Stud Horses Rate of Covering mares	no of head of Cattle
			1			3

Carrages 2 wheel riding Carrages	Carrages Pheatons & Stage Waggons	Carrages Publick Stages	Carrages all other 4 Wheel Carrag	Mills	Tole bridges & Ferrys

Tax Yeards	Free Male negros above 16 & under 45 years old	Watches: Silver	Watches: Single Case Gold	Watches: Double Case Gold	Livery Stables	Houses in the Cuntry

Ice House: for private use	Ice House: from Which Ice is Sold	Clocks: Works of Wood W out Case	Clocks: Works of Wood With Case	Clocks: Works of Metal	Clocks: of Vallu between 50 & 100	Clocks: over $100

Coal Pitts	Printers	Furniture: Bureau & Bed Steds of Mahogany	Furniture: Picturs & Glasses	Furniture: Bureau & Book Cases	Furniture: Total Pitchers and Decanters	Amount of Tax D C
						.30

Martin G. Wright was listed among the purchasers of property from the estate of 1815 Joseph Wright of Bedford County during the period October, November, and December 1815 and recorded on December 23, 1816, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 4/288:

The 1816 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Martin Wright with the following property:

Dates of Receiving lists from individuals	Persons Names Chargeable the Tax	No of white males above 16 years old
Apr 10	Martin Wright	1

no of Slaves above 12 years old	No of Horses	Stud Horses No	Stud Horses $ Cts	2 wheeled riding Carriages & harness belonging thereto: Not Exceeding in Vallue $100	2 wheeled riding Carriages & harness belonging thereto: Exceeding in Vallue $100
-	1	-		-	-

Phaetons Slay Waggons & harness belonging thereto Not Exceeding in Vallue $200	Exceeding in Vallue $200	Coaches & Harness belonging thereto Not Exceeding in Vallue $300	Exceeding in Vallue $300	Total Amount of Taxes $ Cts	
-	-	-	-	.18	

The 1817 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Martin Wright with the following property:

Date of Receiving lists from individs	Persons Names Chargeable With the Tax	No of white males above 16
Apl 7	Martin Wright	1

No of Slaves above 12 yeears old	No of head of Horses	Stud Horses Rate No per of Season	2 wheel riding Carriages & harness Not Exceeding in Vallue $100	Exceeding in Vallue $100
-	1	-	-	-

Phaetons Slays Wagons & harness Not Exceeding in Vallue $200	Exceeding in Vallue $200	Coaches & Harness Not Exceeding in Vallue $300	Exceeding in Vallue $300	Total Amount of Tax	Proof
-	-	-	-	.18	

The 1818 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Martin Wright with the following property:

Date of Receiving Lists	Persons Names Chargeable With the Tax	No of white males above 16
April 6	Martin Wright	1

No Slaves over 16 yrs old	No Slaves over 12 & under 16 yrs old	Studs Rate No per of Season	2 wheel riding Carages Not exceeding in Vallu $100	Exceeding in Value $100
-	-	1 -	-	-

Phaetons & Stage Waggons not Exceeding in Vallue $200	Exceeding in Vallu $200	Total Amount of Tax	Proof
-	-	.18	

In the case of McCormick v. Wright, Superior Court of Law and Chancery, Lynchburg, Virginia, File 812, Martin G. Wright gave his deposition on May 2, 1818, regarding the sale of the slave Peter from the estate of his grandfather 1815 Joseph Wright and made the following statement:

> "3d. Quest. by plf. Are you not a son of one of the Legatees of Joseph Wright Decd.
> Answer I do not know who my father was . . . .

The 1819 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Martin Wright with the following property:

date of Receiving Lists from Individs	Persons Names Chargeable With the Tax	White Males 16 years of age	No of Slaves above 16 years of age
1	Martin Wright	1	-

No of Slaves above 12 & under 16 years of age	Stude Horses No of Horses	No of Studes	Rate per Season	2 wheel Riding Carrages Not exceeding in Vallue $100	Exceeding in Vallue $100
-	1	-	-	-	-

Pheatons & Stage Wagons		Clocks			
Not Exceeding in Vallue $200	Exceeding in Vallue $200	Not Exceeding in Vallue $300	Exceeding in Vallue $300	Total Amount of Tax	Proof
-	-	-	-	.18	

The 1820 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Martin Wright with the following property:

Date of Receiving Lists from Individs	Persons Names Chargeable With the Tax	White Males 16 years of age	No of Slaves above 16 years of age
April 4	Martin Wright	1	-

No of Slaves above 12 & under 16 years of age	No of Horses	Stude Horses: No of Studes	Stude Horses: Rate per Season	2 wheel Riding Carrages: Not exceeding in Vallue $100	2 wheel Riding Carrages: Exceeding in Vallue $100
-	2	-	-	-	-

Pheatons & Stage Wagons		Clocks			
Not Exceeding in Vallue $200	Exceeding in Vallue $200	Not Exceeding in Vallue $300	Exceeding in Vallue $300	Total Amount of Tax	Proof
-	-	-	-	.36	

The 1820 Census for Franklin County listed one Martin Wright, adjacent to the Joseph Wright discussed above, with the following members of his household:

Names of Heads of Families	Free White Males	Age	Free White Females	Age
Martin Wright	1	16-26	1	16-26
	1	0-10	3	0-10

Foreigners	Number in Agriculture	Number in Commerce	Number in Manufacture
	1		

Male	Age	Slaves Female	Age	Free Colored Males	Age	Free Colored Females	Age

All Other Persons

These entries indicate a birth date for Martin between 1794 and 1802 and a birth date for Delilah between 1794 and 1804.

The 1821 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Martin Wright with the following property:

date of Receiving Lists from Individs	Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses Mares Colts & Mules
Feb. 5	Martin Wright	-	1

Stude Horses		two wheeled riding and Harness		Phaetons & Stage Wagons & Harness	
		Not exceeding	above the	Not Exceeding	above
	Dollars	in Dollar	Vallue of	in Vallue	the Vallue
No.	Cts	$100	$100	$200	of $200
-	-	-	-	-	-

Riding Carrages & Harness		
Not Exceeding in Vallue $300	above the Vallue $300	Amount of Tax
-	-	

The 1822 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Martin Wright with the following property:

date of Receiving Lists from Individs	Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses Mares Colts and Mules
March 4	Martin Wright	-	1

Stude Horses		two wheeled riding Carriage & Harndss		Phaetons & Stage wagons & harness	
No.	Dollars Cts	Not exceeding in Dollar $100	above the Value of $100	Not Exceeding in Value $200	above the Value of $200
-	-	-	-	-	-

Riding Carrage& Harness		
Not exceeding in Value $300	above the Value of $300	Amount of Tax
-	-	.13½

On July 27, 1822, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 10/137 Martin Wright purchased 15 acres of land from James Mayes and Patsey (Wright) Mayes:

> "This Indenture made this twenty seventh day of July, one thousand eight hundred and twenty two between James Mays and Patsey his wife of Bedford County of the one part and Martin Wright of Franklin County of the other part Witnesseth, that the said James Mays and Patsey his wife, for and in consideration of the sum Seventy Dollars to them in hand paid the receipt whereof they do hereby acknowledge, have granted bargained and sold to the

said Martin Wright, one certain tract or parcel of Land lying in Franklin County and bounded as followeth; Begining at a chesnut oak, South 80 West 60 poles to a chesnut stump, North 28 West 100 poles near a branch, thence down the same to a white oak, South 12 East 80 poles to the Begining; containing 15 acres, to have and to hold the said granted land and premises with all the appurtinances thereto belonging or in any way appertaining, the said James Mays and Patsey his wife doth hereby bind themselves, their heirs executors and administrators to warrant and defend the above granted land and premises, free from the just claim of them or their heirs or any person or persons whatsoever, In Testimony whereof the said James Mays and Patsey his wife, have hereunto set their hands and seals date as above.

James Mays
Patsey Mays

Bedford County, to wit,

We Jabez Leftwich and Lawrence McGeorge Magestrates of the said County do hereby certify that James Mays and Patsey Mays parties to the within conveyance have duly acknowledged the same before us on the 27th July 1822 and desired us to certify the said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Franklin in order that the said conveyance may be recorded, and we do further certify that Patsey Mays, the wife of James Mays parties to a certain deed for the conveyance of real estate to Martin Wright bearing date 27" July 1822 and hereto annexed personally apeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband, and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her, she the said Patsey Mays acknowledged the same to be her act and deed, and declared that she had willing signed, sealed and delivered the same, and that she wishes not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 27" July 1822.

Jabez Leftwich
Lawrence McGeorge

At the Clerks Office of Franklin County the 2nd day of September 1822.

This Indenture of bargain and sale between James Mays and Patsey his wife of the one part and Martin Wright of the other part, was exhibited and together with the certificate hereon endorsed, admited to record.

Teste,
Caleb Tate, C.F.C."

The 1823 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Martin Wright with the following property:

date of Receiving Lists from Individs	Persons names Chargeable With Tax	Slaves above 12 years of Age	Horses Mares Colts & Mules
April 7	Martin Wright	-	1

Stude Horses		two wheeled riding Carriage & Harness		Phaetons & Stage waggons & Harness	
		Not exceeding in Vallue	Exceeding in Vallue	Not exceeding in Vallue	exceeding in Vallue
No.	D C	$100	$100	$200	$200
-	-	-	-	-	-

Riding Carrage & Harness Not exceeding in Vallue $300	above the Vallue of $300	Amount of Tax	
-	-	.12	

The 1823 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Martin Wright with the following property:

Owners Names	Residence	Estate whether held for life or in fee	No. of Acres of Land	Description of Land
Martin Wright	Franklin	in fee	15	Stanton

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land per acre Including Buildings	Sum added to the Land on act of Buildings	Total Vallue of the Land & Buildings	Amount of tax on the value of	Explanation of alterations during the preceding Year
25 Miles NE	6.50		97.50	.08	frm James Mays

This record reflects the purchase of 15 acres of land by Franklin County Deed 10/137.

The 1824 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Martin Wright with the following property:

date of Receiving Lists from Individuals	Persons names Chargeable With Tax	Slaves above 12 years of Age	Horses Mares Colts & Mules
Ap 27	Martin Wright	-	2

No. of Studs	Dollars	2 Wheel Riding Carrages	4 wheel Riding and Harness	Amount of Tax
-	-	-	-	.24

The 1824 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Martin Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate Whether held for life or in fee	No of Acres of Land	Description of the Land
Martin Wright	Franklin	in fee	15	Staunton

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Vallue of Land per acre Including Building	Sum added to the Land on account of Building	Total Value of Land & Buildings	Amount of tax at the Rate of pr	Explanation of alterations during the Preceding Year
25 NE	6.50		97.50	.08	

The 1825 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Martin Wright with the following property:

Date of Receiving Lists from Individuals	Persons names Chargeable With the Tax	Blacks over 12	Horses mares Colts & Mules
Feb 7	Martin Wright	-	2

Amount of Tax	Carriages & Stallions	Remarks
.21		

The 1825 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Martin Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	EstateWhether held for life or in fee	Number of Acres or Land	Description of the Land
Martin Wright	Franklin	in fee	15	Staunton

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Vallue of Land per acre Including Building	Sum added to the Land on account of Building	Total Vallue of Land & Buildings	Amount of tax at the Rate of pr	Explanation of alterations during the Preceding Year
25 NE	6.50		97.50	.08	

The 1826 Personal Property Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Martin Wright with the following property:

Date of recg lists from Individuals	Names of persons Chargeable With the Tax	Slaves over 12	Horses &c
March 27	Martin Wright	-	2

Stallions Carriages &c	Amt of Tax	Proof
-	.24	

The 1826 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Martin Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate Whether held for life or in fee	Number of Acres of Land	Description of the Land
Martin Wright	Franklin	fee	15	Staunton

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Vallue of Land per acre Including Building	Sum added to the Land on account of Building	Total Value of Land & Buildings	Amount of Tax

The 1827 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Martin Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate Whether held for life OR in fee	Number of Acres Land	Description of the Land
Martin Wright	Franklin		15	Stanton

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Vallue of Land per acre Including Building	Sum added to the Land on account of Building	Total Vallue of Land & Buildings	Amount of Tax	
25	6.50		97.50	.08	

The 1828 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Martin Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate Whether held for life or in fee	Number of Acres of Land	Description of the Land
Martin Wright	Franklin	in fee	15	Stanton

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Vallue of Land per acre Including Building	Sum added to the Land on account of Building	Total Vallue of Land & Buildings	Amount of Tax on Land	Explanation of alterations During the preceding Year
25 NE	6.50		97.50	.08	

The 1829 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Martin Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate whether Fee for life &c	Number of Acres	Situation of Land
Martin Wright	Bedford	Fee	15	Staunton

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of Land Pr Acre including Buildings &c	Sum added to the Value of the Land on account of Improvements &c	Total Value of Land & Improvements	Amount of Tax on Land	Explanation of alterations During the preceding Year
25 NE	6.50	300.00	97.50	.08	

On November 6, 1829, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 12/538 Martin G. Wright and Delila his wife and Joseph Wright and Martha Wright sold 155 acres of land to John Basham:

"This Indenture made and entered into this 6" day of November 1829 between Joseph Wright and Martha his wife and Martin G Wright and Delila his wife all of the County of Franklin and state of Virginia of the one part and John Basham of the County and state aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth that for and in the consideration of the sum of Six hundred Dollars to them in hand paid by the said Basham the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath bargained and sold, and by these Presents doth bargain & sell unto the said Basham one certain tract or parcel of Land lying in the County of Franklin on Stanton river and being the lands whereon the said Wright now lives, and containing One hundred & fifty five more or less, and bounded by the lands of Turner Brown Thomas Nemoe Booker Preston John Turner James Maze William Drake decd and staunton river, together with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging unto him the said John Basham his heirs and assigns forever, and we the said Joseph and Martin G Wright doth for ourselves, our heirs forever warrant and defend a good & lawful write and title to within land and premises unto him the said John Basham his heirs & assigns free from the clame of us, our heirs & all other persons whosoever In Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands & seals the day and year above written

	Joseph	X	Wright
	Martha	X	Wright
their marks	Martin G	X	Wright
	Delilah	X	Wright

Franklin County To wit

We Benjamin Booth and Stephen Wood justices of the peace for the County of Franklin, do hereby certify that Joseph Wright & Martin G Wright parties to a certain Deed bearing date the 6" of November 1829 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our said County and acknowledged the same

to be their act and Deed, and desired us to certify this their acknowledgement to the Clerk of our County Court in order that the Deed aforesaid may be recorded Given under our hands and Seals this 6" day of November 1829.

Benjamin Booth
Stephen Wood JP.

Franklin County to Wit

We Benjamin Booth Stephen Wood Justices of the peace for the County of Franklin do hereby certify that Martha Wright wife of Joseph Wright and Delila Wright wife of Martain G Wright parties to a certain Deed bearing date the 6" day of November 1829 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our said County and being examined by us seperate and apart from their said Husbands they acknowledged the same to be their act and Deed and declared that they the said Martha & Delila had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and wished not to retract retract Given under our hands and Seals this 6" day of November 1829

Benjamin Booth
Stephen Wood JP

At the Clerks Office of the County Court of Franklin the 7" day of December 1829 This Indenture of bargain and sale between Joseph Wright and Martha his wife and Martin G Wright and Delila his wife of the one part and John Basham of the other part was exhibited into the Office & together with the certificates hereon endorsed admitted to record.

Teste
Caleb Tate C.F.C."

The 1830 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Martain Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate whether in Fee or for life	Number of Acres	Situation of Land
Martain Wright	Franklin	Fee	15	Staunton

Distance from C House	Bearing from C House	Value of Land Per Acre, including Buildings	Sum added to Value of Land for Improvements	Total Value of Land & Improvements
25	NE	6.50	300.00	97.50

Amount of Tax on Land	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding Year
.08	

The 1830 Census for Franklin County, Virginia, did not list a Martin Wright.

In her letter dated September 15, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff stated that the 1830 Census for Hardin County, Kentucky, listed Martin Wright with the following household:

Males	Age	Females	Age
1	30-40	1	30-40
1	5-10		
1	0-5		

The History Of Union Baptist Church, Hardin County, Kentucky 1808-1867 stated that Martin G. Wright was received into the church in June 1830. A dispute with his father was recorded in the Church minutes:

> "1833
> April - Joseph Wright brings a charge against Martin G. Wright for refusing to pay a just debt. Committee appointed to try to bring about a reconciliation and report.
>
> May - The charge against Martin G. Wright for refusing to pay a debt to Joseph Wright taken up; after consideration, the church says Martin G. Wright shall pay his father the debt. Likewise, Martin G. Wright brings a claim against his father Joseph Wright for a loan mare which died in his hands; agreed by the church that Martin G. Wright shall have some compensation for the mare. Committee appointed to attempt to compromise, but the Wrights made a settlement which satisfied the church.

June - Letter received from Joseph Wright expressing dissatisfaction with the decision made in his case; committee appointed to cite him to attend next meeting to answer for his conduct in charging the church with injustice."

The 1831 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Martain Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate whether in fee or for life	Number of Acres	Situation of Land
Martain Wright	Franklin	Fee	15	Staunton

Distance from Ct House	Bearing from Ct House	Value of Land Per Acre, including Buildings	Sum added to Value of Land for Improvement	Total Value of Land & Improvements
25	NE	6.50	300.00	97.50

Amount of Tax	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
.08	

The 1832 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Martin Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate whether in Fee or for life	Number of Acres	Situation of land
Martin Wright	Franklin	Fee	15	Staunton

Distance from Court House	Bearing from Court House	Value of Land Per acre, Including buildings	Sum added to Land in Improvement	Total Value of Land and Improvements
25	NE	6.20	200.00	97.20

Amount of Tax	Explanation of alterations during the Preceding year
.08	

In her letters dated September 15, 1979, Mrs. Deardorff stated that the 1840 Census for Hardin County, Kentucky, listed Martin Wright with the following household:

Males	Age	Females	Age
1	40-50	1	40-50
2	10-16	1	15-20
1	0-5	2	10-15
		1	5-10

On March 4, 1843, Martin G. Wright acted as surety on the marriage bond for his daughter Lucratia Wright and John Morris filed in Hardin County, Kentucky, Marriage Book B, Entry 1149.

The marriage bond of Martin G. Wright and Elizabeth Cecil was dated on June 22, 1844, at Hardin County, Kentucky, Marriage Book B, Entry 1234:

"No.	Date	Parties Names	Authority
. . . .			
1234	June 22	Martin G. Wright & Miss Elizabeth Cecil	Wright of lawful age Susan Cecil of Elizabeth Cecil gave consent in writing proven by the oath of Joseph Cecil"

However, in her email dated November 29, 2000, Barbara Meger stated that Hardin County, Kentucky, Marriage Records 1813-1850 by F. T. Ingmire, 1983, listed the marriage record of Martin G. Wright and Elizabeth Cecil, daughter of Susan, on August 1, 1831, at Hardin County, Kentucky, but this appears to be an incorrect listing.

The Minutes of the Union Baptist Church, Hardin County, Kentucky, also stated that in June 1846 a committee was appointed to cite Martin G. Wright for non-attendance and in July 1846 the committee made its report and the church was

satisfied with the reasons for non-attendance. Then are no further church records of Martin G. Wright and the church finally disolved in 1867.

The will of Joseph Wright dated June 16, 1840, and probated on October 21, 1844, at Hardin County, Kentucky, W.B. E/_ listed Martin G. Wright as one of his children:

> ". . . . Item as for my chilren To wit David Wright Littlebury Wright and Martin G Wright has already received there full portion of my estate and my will and desire is that they shall receive one Dollar each and no more . . . ."

In her email dated May 14, 2001, Barbara Meger stated that the 1850 Census for Hardin County, Kentucky, listed Martin G. Wright with the following household on September 13, 1850:

Name	Age	Sex	Occupation	Real Estate	Born
Martin G. Wright	35?	M	Farmer		VA
Delilah Wright	15	F			KY
Sandford P. Wright	12	M			KY
Edna Wright	5	F			KY
Josephine Wright	4	F			KY
Amanda Wright	8/12	F			KY

This record indicates that Martin G. Wright was born in about 1815, but this is probably a misreading of age 55.

In her email dated November 29, 2000, Barbara Meger stated that Kentucky Vital Statistics 1852-1859, Hardin County Deaths of Persons over Fifteen, DARGRCReport v., 145, listed the following death record for Martin Wright:

> "Wright, Martin - aged 60, d. Jan 31, 1856, born in VA; d. Hardin Col; d. of gravel(?); parents Joseph & Clarinda Wright."

The Declaration and Assignment of Little Berry Wright dated June 19, 1873, and recorded at Meade County, Kentucky, D.B. P/137 listed Martin G. Wright as a child of Joseph Wright, Jr.:

> ". . . . My own father Joseph Wright Jr. married Mary Cook for his first wife and had three children by her, named David, John & Berry, his first wife Mary Cook was my mother, He married for his second wife Clara Drake and had one child

by her named Martin G. Wright, He married for his third wife Martha Poggins by whom he had four children named Elizabeth, Frank, Louise and Mary. . . ."

In her letters dated September 15, 1979, and October 17, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff enclosed family group sheets which stated that Martin G. Wright was born in 1795, married first Delilah McCormack on September 28, 1812, at Bedford County, Virginia.

In her letter dated October 17, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff enclosed family group sheets which stated that Martin G. Wright married Elizabeth Cecil on June 22, 1844, at Hardin County, Kentucky, and died January 31, 1856, at Hardin County, Kentucky, and that Martin G. Wright and Delilah (McCormack) Wright had the following children:

1) Sarah Elvira (Wright) Stout, born in 1815 in Virginia,
2) Mary Perlina (Wright) Wright, born in 1816 in Virginia,
3) Riley W. Wright, born on August 25, 1817, in Virginia,
4) Perlista (Wright) Wright, born on September 26, 1819, in Virginia,
5) Minerva (Wright) Jones, born on February 10, 1821, in Virginia,
6) Letitia or Lucrecia (Wright) Morris, born in 1824 in Virginia,
7) Clarinda (Wright) Yates, born in 1827 in Virginia,
8) Joseph Harvey Wright, born in 1828 in Virginia,
9) Gilbert Wright, born in 1832 at Hardin County, Kentucky,
10) Delila Wright, born in 1835 at Hardin County, Kentucky, and
11) Sanford P. Wright, born in 1838 at Hardin County, Kentucky.

The sheets also listed the children of Martin G. and Elizabeth (Cecil) Wright as follows:

1) Erma Wright, born in 1845 at Hardin County, Kentucky,
2) Josephina Wright, born in 1846 at Hardin County, Kentucky, and
3) Amanda Wright, born in February 1850 at Hardin County, Kentucky.

In her letter dated April 21, 1983, Mrs. Lois Baird enclosed family group sheets which stated that Margin G. Wright was born in 1795 in Franklin County, Virginia, and that his son Riley W. Wright was born on August 25, 1817, at Franklin County, Virginia.

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below the children of 1856 Martin G. Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and Delilah (McCormack) Wright were the following:

1) Sarah or Elvira (?) (Wright) Stout, born in 1815 at Virginia,

2) Mary Perlina (Wright) Wright, born in 1816 at Virginia,

3) Riley W. Wright, born on August 25, 1817, at Franklin County, Virginia,

4) Perlista (Wright) Wright, born on September 26, 1819, at Franklin County, Virginia,

5) Minerva (Wright) Jones, born on February 10, 1821, at Virginia,

6) Letitia or Lucratia (Wright) Morris, born in 1824 at Virginia,

7) Clarinda (Wright) Yates, born in 1827 at Virginia,

8) Joseph Harvey Wright, born in 1828 at Franklin County, Virginia,

9) Gilbert D. Wright, born in 1832 at Meade County, Kentucky,

10) Delila (Wright) ____, born in 1835 at Hardin County, Kentucky, and

11) Sanford Wright, born in 1838 at Hardin County, Kentucky, and

the children of 1856 Martin G. Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and Elizabeth (Cecil) Wright were the following:

1) Erma Wright, born in 1845 at Hardin County, Kentucky,

2) Josephine Wright, born in 1846 at Hardin County, Kentucky, and

3) Amanda (Wright) Martin, born in February 1850 at Hardin County, Kentucky.

I. Sarah Or Elvira (?) (Wright) Stout, Her Husband Thomas Stout, And Her Descendants

Sarah or Elvira (?) (Wright) Stout was a daughter of 1856 Martin G. Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and Delilah (McCormack) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], 1856 Martin G.[4])

The declaration of Littleberry Wright dated June 19, 1873, at Meade County, Kentucky, D. B. P/139 stated that his half-brother Martin G. Wright had eleven children, including Elvira Wright:

". . . . Martin G. Wright son of the said Joseph Wright by his Second wife Clara Drake married Delila McCormick by whom he had eleven children named Poling (?) - Riley - Elvira - Polisty - Lucretia Minerva - Clarinda - Joseph Henry - Gilbert - Sanford - Delila - . . . ."

In her letters dated September 15, 1979, and October 17, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff enclosed family group sheets which stated that Sarah E. Wright was a daughter of Martin G. Wright and Delilah (McCormack) Wright, was born in 1815 in Virginia, and married Thomas Stout, that Thomas Stout was born on October 10, 1820, died on January 10, 1864, and was buried at St. Theresa Catholic Cemetery, Meade County, Kentucky, and that they had the following children:

1) Mary C. Wright, born about 1842,

2) Susan M. Wright, born about 1844, and

3) Eliza Wright, born about 1846.

ii. <u>Mary Perlina (Wright) Wright, Her Husband Otis Or Oaty Wright, And Her Descendants</u>

Mary Perlina (Wright) Wright was a daughter of 1856 Martin G. Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and Delilah (McCormack) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], 1856 Martin G.[4])

This couple has been discussed above in connection with the descendants of 1872 David Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and the reader is referred to that section for information on this couple.

Iii. <u>1902 Riley W. Wright Of Hardin County, Kentucky, His Wife Martha Jane (Osbourn) Wright, And His Descendants</u>

1902 Riley W. Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, was a son of 1856 Martin G. Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and Delilah (McCormack) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], 1856 Martin G.[4])

In her email dated May 14, 2001, Barbara Meger stated that the 1850 Census for Hardin County, Kentucky, listed Riley Wright with the following household on October 26 to 28, 1850:

Name	Age	Sex	Occupation	Real Estate	Born
Riley Wright	35	M	Farmer	$1,500	VA
Martha Wright	29	F			KY
Eliza J. Wright	9	F			KY
Margaret D. Wright	4	F			KY
Gilbert D. Wright	18	M	Farmer		KY

This record indicates that Riley W. Wright was born in about 1815 and that Martha Jane (Osbourn) Wright was born in about 1821.

In her email dated May 14, 2001, Barbara Meger stated that the 1860 Census for Hardin County, Kentucky, listed Riley Right with the following household on October July 9, 1860:

Name	Age	Sex	Occupation	Personal Property	Real Estate	Born
Riley Right	43	M	Farmer	$3,000	$4,000	VA
W.(M?) J. Right	40	F				KY
Margaret Right	14	F				KY
Malinda Right	18	F				KY

This record indicates that Riley W. Wright was born in about 1817 and that Mary Jane (Osbourn) Wright was born in about 1820.

The declaration of Littleberry Wright dated June 19, 1873, at Meade County, Kentucky, D. B. P/139 stated that his half-brother Martin G. Wright had eleven children, including Riley Wright:

> ". . . . Martin G. Wright son of the said Joseph Wright by his Second wife Clara Drake married Delila McCormick by whom he had eleven children named Poling (?) - Riley - Elvira - Polisty - Lucretia Minerva - Clarinda - Joseph Henry - Gilbert - Sanford - Delila - . . . ."

In letters dated September 15, 1979, and October 17, 1979, from Mrs. Jennie Deardorff and April 21, 1983, from Mrs. Lois Baird, they enclosed family group sheets which stated that Riley W. Wright was a son of Martin G. Wright and Delilah (McCormack) Wright, was born on August 25, 1817, at Virginia, married Martha Jane Osbourn on August 20, 1839, at Hardin County, Kentucky, died on July 19, 1902, at

Hardin County, Kentucky, and was buried at New Salem Cemetery, Hardin County, Kentucky, that Martha Jane (Osbourn) Wright was born on October 25, 1820, at Kentucky, died on September 23, 1867, at Meade County, Kentucky, and was buried at St. Martin's Flaherty, Meade County, Kentucky, and that they had the following children:

1) Eliza Jane (Wright) Brown, born on June 1 1840, at Hardin County, Kentucky,

2) Margaret D. (Wright) Nall, born on June 18, 1846, at Hardin County, Kentucky, and

3) Adeline Malinda or Melinda (Wright) French, born on March 8, 1852, at Hardin County, Kentucky.

iv. Perlista (Wright) Wright, Her Husband 1903 Silas T. Wright Of Meade County, Kentucky, And Her Descendants

Perlista (Wright) Wright was a daughter of 1856 Martin G. Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and Delilah (McCormack) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], 1856 Martin G.[4])

This couple has been discussed above in the section on 1903 Silas T. Wright of Meade County, Kentucky, and the reader is referred to that section for information on this couple.

v. Minerva (Wright) Jones And Her Husband Josiah Jones

Minerva (Wright) Jones was a daughter of 1856 Martin G. Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and Delilah (McCormack) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], 1856 Martin G.[4])

The declaration of Littleberry Wright dated June 19, 1873, at Meade County, Kentucky, D. B. P/139 stated that his half-brother Martin G. Wright had eleven children, including Minerva Wright:

> ". . . . Martin G. Wright son of the said Joseph Wright by his Second wife Clara Drake married Delila McCormick by whom he had eleven children named Poling (?) - Riley - Elvira - Polisty - Lucretia Minerva - Clarinda - Joseph Henry - Gilbert - Sanford - Delila - . . . ."

In her letters dated September 15, 1979, and October 17, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff enclosed family group sheets which stated that Minerva Wright was a daughter of Martin G. Wright and Delilah (McCormack) Wright, was born on February 10, 1821, at Virginia, and married Josiah Jones, died on May 15, 1881, at Hardin County, Kentucky, and was buried at Blackford Cemetery, Hardin County, Kentucky.

vi. Letitia Or Lucretia (Wright) Morris And Her Husband John Morris

Letitia or Lucretia (Wright) Morris was a daughter of 1856 Martin G. Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and Delilah (McCormack) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], 1856 Martin G.[4])

The declaration of Littleberry Wright dated June 19, 1873, at Meade County, Kentucky, D. B. P/139 stated that his half-brother Martin G. Wright had eleven children, including Lucretia Wright:

> ". . . . Martin G. Wright son of the said Joseph Wright by his Second wife Clara Drake married Delila McCormick by whom he had eleven children named Poling (?) - Riley - Elvira - Polisty - Lucretia Minerva - Clarinda - Joseph Henry - Gilbert - Sanford - Delila - . . . ."

In her letters dated September 15, 1979, and October 17, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff enclosed family group sheets which stated that Letitia Wright was a daughter of Martin G. Wright and Delilah (McCormack) Wright, was born in 1824 at Virginia, and married John Morris on March 4, 1843, at Hardin County, Kentucky.

vii. Clarinda (Wright) Yates, Her Husband Greenberry Yates, And Her Descendants

Clarinda (Wright) Yates was a daughter of 1856 Martin G. Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and Delilah (McCormack) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], 1856 Martin G.[4])

In her email dated November 29, 2000, Barbara Meger stated that Hardin County, Kentucky, Marriage Records 1813-1850 by F. T. Ingmire, 1983, listed the

marriage record of Clarinda Wright, daughter of Martin C. Wright, and Greenberry Yates on March 30, 1846, at Hardin County, Kentucky.

In her email dated May 14, 2001, Barbara Meger stated that the 1850 Census for Hardin County, Kentucky, listed Greenberry Yates with the following household on September 13, 1850:

Name	Age	Sex	Occupation	Real Estate	Born
Greenberry Yates	25	M	Farmer		KY
Clarinda Yates	22	F			VA
James T. Yates	3	F			KY

This record indicates that Clarinda (Wright) Yates was born in about 1828 and that Greenberry Yates was born in about 1825.

The declaration of Littleberry Wright dated June 19, 1873, at Meade County, Kentucky, D. B. P/139 stated that his half-brother Martin G. Wright had eleven children, including Clarinda Wright:

> ". . . . Martin G. Wright son of the said Joseph Wright by his Second wife Clara Drake married Delila McCormick by whom he had eleven children named Poling (?) - Riley - Elvira - Polisty - Lucretia Minerva - Clarinda - Joseph Henry - Gilbert - Sanford - Delila - . . . ."

In her letters dated September 15, 1979, and October 17, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff enclosed family group sheets which stated that Clarinda Wright was a daughter of Martin G. Wright and Delilah (McCormack) Wright, was born in 1827 at Virginia, and married Greenberry Yates in 1846 at Hardin County, Kentucky.

viii. 1921 Joseph Harvey Wright Of Meade County, Kentucky, His Wives Caroline (Burk) Wright And Lura Bell (Tilford) Wright, And His Descendants

1921 Joseph Harvey Wright of Meade County, Kentucky, was a son of 1856 Martin G. Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and Delilah (McCormack) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], 1856 Martin G.[4])

In her email dated May 14, 2001, Barbara Meger stated that the 1850 Census for Hardin County, Kentucky, listed Harvey Wright with the following household on September 13, 1850:

Name	Age	Sex	Occupation	Real Estate	Born
Harvey Wright	22	M	Farmer		VA
Caroline Wright	18	F			TN
Euphemia Wright	6/12	F			KY

This record indicates that Joseph Harvey Wright was born in about 1828 and that Caroline (Burk) Wright was born in about 1832.

The declaration of Littleberry Wright dated June 19, 1873, at Meade County, Kentucky, D. B. P/139 stated that his half-brother Martin G. Wright had eleven children, including Joseph Henry Wright:

> ". . . . Martin G. Wright son of the said Joseph Wright by his Second wife Clara Drake married Delila McCormick by whom he had eleven children named Poling (?) - Riley - Elvira - Polisty - Lucretia Minerva - Clarinda - Joseph Henry - Gilbert - Sanford - Delila - . . . ."

In her letters dated September 15, 1979, and October 17, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff enclosed family group sheets which stated that Joseph Harvey Wright was a son of Martin G. Wright and Delilah (McCormack) Wright, was born in 1828 at Franklin County, Virginia, married first Caroline Burk on November 16, 1848, at Meade County, Kentucky, married second Laura Bell Tilford on June 12, 1881, at Meade County, Kentucky, died in 1921, and was buried at Buck Grove Baptist Cemetery, Meade County, Kentucky, that Caroline (Burk) Wright was born on March 24, 1832, and died on April 1, 1880, and that Joseph Harvey Wright and Caroline (Burk) Wright had the following children:

1) Euphemia Wright, born about 1850,
2) Napolene Wright, born about 1852,
3) Theodore Wright, born about 1854,
4) Eugene Wright, born on September 4, 1858, and
5) Byron Wright, born in 1859,

that Laura Bell (Tilford) Wright was born in 1848 and died in 1924, and that Joseph Harvey Wright and Laura Bell (Tilford) Wright had the following child:

1) Joseph Harvey Wright (?), born on March 13, 1887.

ix. Gilbert D. Wright, His Wives Hester Ann (Stith) Wright And Nancy E. (Stith) Wright, And His Descendants

Gilbert D. Wright was a son of 1856 Martin G. Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and Delilah (McCormack) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], 1856 Martin G.[4])

The declaration of Littleberry Wright dated June 19, 1873, at Meade County, Kentucky, D. B. P/139 stated that his half-brother Martin G. Wright had eleven children, including Gilbert Wright:

> ". . . . Martin G. Wright son of the said Joseph Wright by his Second wife Clara Drake married Delila McCormick by whom he had eleven children named Poling (?) - Riley - Elvira - Polisty - Lucretia Minerva - Clarinda - Joseph Henry - Gilbert - Sanford - Delila - . . . ."

In her letters dated September 15, 1979, and October 17, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff enclosed family group sheets which stated that Gilbert D. Wright was a son of Martin G. Wright and Delilah (McCormack) Wright, was born in 1832 at Hardin County, Kentucky, married first Hester Ann Stith on November 19, 1857, at Meade County, Kentucky, married second Nancy E. Stith on March 1, 1866, at Meade County, Kentucky, and that Hester Ann (Stith) Wright was born about 1840, and that Gilbert D. Wright and Hester Ann (Stith) Wright had the following children:

1) Emma Wright, born about 1858 Meade County, Kentucky, and

2) ____ Wright, born about 1860 at Meade County, Kentucky.

x. Delilah (Wright) ____ And Her Husband _____

Delilah (Wright) ____ was a daughter of 1856 Martin G. Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and Delilah (McCormack) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], 1856 Martin G.[4])

In her email dated May 14, 2001, Barbara Meger stated that the 1850 Census for Hardin County, Kentucky, listed Delilah Wright in the Martin G. Wright household on

September 13, 1850, and her age as 15 and born in Kentucky, indicating a date of birth in about 1835.

The declaration of Littleberry Wright dated June 19, 1873, at Meade County, Kentucky, D. B. P/139 stated that his half-brother Martin G. Wright had eleven children, including Delila Wright:

> ". . . . Martin G. Wright son of the said Joseph Wright by his Second wife Clara Drake married Delila McCormick by whom he had eleven children named Poling (?) - Riley - Elvira - Polisty - Lucretia Minerva - Clarinda - Joseph Henry - Gilbert - Sanford - Delila - . . . ."

In her letters dated September 15, 1979, and October 17, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff enclosed family group sheets which stated that Delila Wright was a daughter of Martin G. Wright and Delilah (McCormack) Wright, was born in 1835 at Hardin County, Kentucky, and married _____ _____ on September 15, 1852, at Meade County, Kentucky.

xi. Sandford Or Sanford P. Wright And His Wife Mary (Bunger) Wright

Sandford or Sanford P. Wright was a son of 1856 Martin G. Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and Delilah (McCormack) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], 1856 Martin G.[4])

In her email dated May 14, 2001, Barbara Meger stated that the 1850 Census for Hardin County, Kentucky, listed Sandford P. Wright in the Martin G. Wright household on September 13, 1850, and his age as 12 and born in Kentucky, indicating a date of birth in about 1838.

The declaration of Littleberry Wright dated June 19, 1873, at Meade County, Kentucky, D. B. P/139 stated that his half-brother Martin G. Wright had eleven children, including Sanford Wright:

> ". . . . Martin G. Wright son of the said Joseph Wright by his Second wife Clara Drake married Delila McCormick by whom he had eleven children named Poling (?) - Riley - Elvira - Polisty - Lucretia Minerva - Clarinda - Joseph Henry - Gilbert - Sanford - Delila - . . . ."

In her letters dated September 15, 1979, and October 17, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff enclosed family group sheets which stated that Sanford Wright was a son of Martin G. Wright and Delilah (McCormack) Wright, was born in 1838 at Hardin County, Kentucky, and married Mary Bunger on January 4, 1860, at Meade County, Kentucky.

xii. Edna Or Erma Wright

Edna or Erma Wright was a daughter of 1856 Martin G. Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and Elizabeth (Cecil) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], 1856 Martin G.[4])

In her email dated May 14, 2001, Barbara Meger stated that the 1850 Census for Hardin County, Kentucky, listed Edna Wright in the Martin G. Wright household on September 13, 1850, and her age as 5 and born in Kentucky, indicating a date of birth in about 1845.

In her letters dated September 15, 1979, and October 17, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff enclosed family group sheets which stated that Erma Wright was a daughter of Martin G. Wright and Elizabeth (Cecil) Wright and was born in 1845 at Hardin County, Kentucky.

xiii. Josephine Wright

Josephine Wright was a daughter of 1856 Martin G. Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and Elizabeth (Cecil) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], 1856 Martin G.[4])

In her email dated May 14, 2001, Barbara Meger stated that the 1850 Census for Hardin County, Kentucky, listed Josephine Wright in the Martin G. Wright household on September 13, 1850, and her age as 4 and born in Kentucky, indicating a date of birth in about 1846.

In her letters dated September 15, 1979, and October 17, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff enclosed family group sheets which stated that Josephine Wright was a daughter of Martin G. Wright and Elizabeth (Cecil) Wright and was born in 1846, at Hardin County, Kentucky.

xiv. Amanda (Wright) Martin And Her Husband Thomas E. Martin

Amanda (Wright) Martin was a daughter of 1856 Martin G. Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and Elizabeth (Cecil) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3], 1856 Martin G.[4])

In her email dated May 14, 2001, Barbara Meger stated that the 1850 Census for Hardin County, Kentucky, listed Amanda Wright in the Martin G. Wright household on September 13, 1850, and her age as 8/12 and born in Kentucky, indicating a date of birth in about January 1850.

In her letters dated September 15, 1979, and October 17, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff enclosed family group sheets which stated that Amanda Wright was a daughter of Martin G. Wright and Elizabeth (Cecil) Wright, was born in February 1850, at Hardin County, Kentucky, and married Thomas E. Martin on August 7, 1863, at Hardin County, Kentucky.

e. Elizabeth J. (Wright) Benham And Her Husband Jonathan Benham

Elizabeth J. (Wright) Benham was a daughter of 1844 Joseph Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and his third wife Martha (Pagin or Paggins) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3])

The will of Joseph Wright dated June 16, 1840, and probated on October 21, 1844, at Hardin County, Kentucky, W.B. E/_ listed Elizabeth I. Wright as one of his children:

> ". . . . Item I lend to my beloved Wife Martha all my estate during her natural life or the determination of her Widowhood and at her Death in Widowhood to be divided between my four youngest children equally (To Wit) namely Elizabeth I. Wright Francis M Wright Lueza Wright Mary Ann Wright to them and their heirs forever . . . ."

In her email dated May 14, 2001, Barbara Meger stated that the 1850 Census for Hardin County, Kentucky, listed Elizabeth Wright in the Martha Wright household on September 23, 1850, and her age as 20 and born in Kentucky, indicating a date of birth in about 1830.

The Declaration and Assignment of Little Berry Wright dated June 19, 1873, and recorded at Meade County, Kentucky, D.B. P/137 listed Elizabeth Wright as a child of Joseph Wright and Martha Poggins:

> ". . . . My own father Joseph Wright Jr. . . . . He married for his third wife Martha Poggins by whom he had four children named Elizabeth, Frank, Louise and Mary. . . . ."

In her letter dated September 15, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff enclosed family group sheets which stated that Elizabeth Wright was a daughter of Joseph Wright and Martha (Pagin) Wright, was born in 1830 in Kentucky and married Jonathan Benham on January 26, 1854, at Meade County, Kentucky.

f. Louisa Wright

Louisa Wright was a daughter of 1844 Joseph Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and his third wife Martha (Pagin) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3])

The will of Joseph Wright dated June 16, 1840, and probated on October 21, 1844, at Hardin County, Kentucky, W.B. E/_ listed Lueza Wright as one of his children:

> ". . . . Item I lend to my beloved Wife Martha all my estate during her natural life or the determination of her Widowhood and at her Death in Widowhood to be divided between my four youngest children equally (To Wit) namely Elizabeth I. Wright Francis M Wright Lueza Wright Mary Ann Wright to them and their heirs forever . . . ."

In her email dated May 14, 2001, Barbara Meger stated that the 1850 Census for Hardin County, Kentucky, listed Louisa Wright in the Martha Wright household on September 23, 1850, and her age as 14 and born in Kentucky, indicating a date of birth in about 1836.

The Declaration and Assignment of Little Berry Wright dated June 19, 1873, and recorded at Meade County, Kentucky, D.B. P/137 listed Louise Wright as a child of Joseph Wright and Martha Poggins:

> ". . . . My own father Joseph Wright Jr. . . . . He married for his third wife Martha Poggins by whom he had four children named Elizabeth, Frank, Louise and Mary. . . . ."

In her letter dated September 15, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff enclosed family group sheets which stated that Louisa Wright was a daughter of Joseph Wright and Martha (Pagin) Wright and was born in 1832 in Kentucky.

g. Francis W. Or M. Wright And His Wife Elizabeth (Mattingly) Wright

Francis W. or M. Wright was a daughter of 1844 Joseph Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and his third wife Martha (Pagin) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3])

The will of Joseph Wright dated June 16, 1840, and probated on October 21, 1844, at Hardin County, Kentucky, W.B. E/_ listed Francis M. Wright as one of his children:

> ". . . . Item I lend to my beloved Wife Martha all my estate during her natural life or the determination of her Widowhood and at her Death in Widowhood to be divided between my four youngest children equally (To Wit) namely Elizabeth I. Wright Francis M Wright Lueza Wright Mary Ann Wright to them and their heirs forever . . . ."

In her email dated May 14, 2001, Barbara Meger stated that the 1850 Census for Hardin County, Kentucky, listed Francis M. Wright in the Martha Wright household on September 23, 1850, and his age as 17 and born in Kentucky, indicating a date of birth in about 1833.

The Declaration and Assignment of Little Berry Wright dated June 19, 1873, and recorded at Meade County, Kentucky, D.B. P/137 listed Frank Wright as a child of Joseph Wright and Martha Poggins:

> ". . . . My own father Joseph Wright Jr. . . . . He married for his third wife Martha Poggins by whom he had four children named Elizabeth, Frank, Louise and Mary. . . . ."

In her letter dated September 15, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff enclosed family group sheets which stated that Francis W. or M. Wright was a son of Joseph Wright and Martha (Pagin) Wright, was born in 1833, and married Elizabeth (Mattingly) Wright on March 9, 1852, at Meade County, Kentucky.

h. Mary Ann (Wright) Hudspeth And Her Husband William R. Hudspeth

Mary Ann (Wright) Hudspeth was a daughter of 1844 Joseph Wright of Hardin County, Kentucky, and his third wife Martha (Pagin) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1844 Joseph[3])

The will of Joseph Wright dated June 16, 1840, and probated on October 21, 1844, at Hardin County, Kentucky, W.B. E/_ listed Mary Ann Wright as one of his children:

> ". . . . Item I lend to my beloved Wife Martha all my estate during her natural life or the determination of her Widowhood and at her Death in Widowhood to be divided between my four youngest children equally (To Wit) namely Elizabeth I. Wright Francis M Wright Lueza Wright Mary Ann Wright to them and their heirs forever . . . ."

In her email dated May 14, 2001, Barbara Meger stated that the 1850 Census for Hardin County, Kentucky, listed Mary Ann Wright in the Martha Wright household on September 23, 1850, and her age as 10 and born in Kentucky, indicating a date of birth in about 1840.

The Declaration and Assignment of Little Berry Wright dated June 19, 1873, and recorded at Meade County, Kentucky, D.B. P/137 listed Mary Wright as a child of Joseph Wright and Martha Poggins:

> ". . . . My own father Joseph Wright Jr. . . . . He married for his third wife Martha Poggins by whom he had four children named Elizabeth, Frank, Louise and Mary. . . . ."

In her letter dated September 15, 1979, Mrs. Jennie Deardorff enclosed family group sheets which stated that Mary Ann Wright was a daughter of Joseph Wright and Martha (Pagin) Wright, was born in 1840 in Kentucky and that she married William R. Hudspeth on November 1, 1857, at Meade County, Kentucky.

6. Agness (Wright) Mays, Her Husband Samuel Mays, And Her Descendants

Agness (Wright) Mays was a daughter of 1815 Joseph Wright of Bedford County and his second wife Judith (Pate) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2])

The marriage bond of Agness Wright, daughter of Joseph, and Samuel Mays was dated on October 22, 1792, at Bedford County, Virginia, with John Pate as surety:

> "I do hereby Certify that Samuel Mays has My Consent to Obtain Marriage Licence between him self & my daughter Agness Wright
>
> Teste) Joseph Wright
> Jno Pate) Octr. 22nd 1792
> Wm Nimmo)
>
> ---
>
> Know all men by these presents that We Samuel Mays & John Pate are held & firmly bound unto Henry Lee Esquire Governor or Chief Magistrate of the State of Virginia in the Sum of Fifty pounds Current Money to which payment well & truly to be made utno the said Henry Lee or to his Successors we bind ourselves & each of us our & each of our joint & Several Heirs Exors & Admrs firmly by these presents. Sealed with our Seals & dated this 22d day of Octr 1792
>
> The Condition of the above Oblign is such that whereas there is a Marriage Shortly intended to be had & Solemnized between the above Bound Samuel Mays & Agness Wright Now if there shall be no lawful Cause to obstruct the said Marriage then the above Oblign to be void else to remain in full force & virtue
>
> Signed Sealed &c) Samuel Mayse
> in Presence of) John Pate"

If Agness Wright was at least 16 years of age at the time of her marriage, then her date of birth would be probably before 1777. Since Joseph Wright had land in both Bedford and Franklin Counties, the place of birth was probably at Bedford or Franklin County, Virginia.

On February 15, 1805, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. F/291 Samuel Mays purchased 320 acres of land on the Harpeth River from Joseph Erwin.

Pioneers Of Davidson County, Tennessee stated that the Davidson County, Tennessee, Minute Book 1809-1812, page 826, Records of Davidson County Court of July Session 1812, listed an enumeration of the free male inhabitants of Davidson County in 1812 and listed Samuel Mays in Captain Henry's Militia Company.

The will of 1815 Joseph Wright dated February 21, 1815, and probated on September 11, 1815, at Bedford County, Virginia, Superior Court Book A/15 listed Agness Mays as one of his children:

> ". . . . 5thly I give and bequeath to my three eldest sons, Thomas, John & Joseph Wright and to my five daughters, Mary Greer, Agness Mayse, Judith McCormack, Patsy Mayse & Barsheba Simmons, and to the Heirs of my Daughter Nancy Meadors, decd. one hundred and fifty acres of Land in Franklin County, whereon my son Joseph Wright now lives. Also one hundred and thirty acres adjoining the same called Balls place to be equally divided between them . . . ."

On August 21, 1816, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. M/358 Samuel Mays purchased 230 acres of land on the Harpeth River from Levi McCallum.

On August 21, 1816, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. M/359 Samuel Mays also purchased 100 acres of land on the Harpeth River from Levi McCallum.

The 1820 Census for Davidson County, Tennessee, listed Samuel Mays with the following household:

Males	Age	Females	Age
1	45+	1	45+
1	16-26	1	16-26
1	16-18	4	0-10
4	10-16		
2	0-10		

This record indicates that Samuel Mays and Agness (Wright) Mays were born before 1775.

On January 23, 1822, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. Q/59 Samuel Mays sold 151 acres of land on the Harpeth River to William W. Wright.

On August 26, 1822, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. Q/70 Samuel Mays purchased 8-3/4 acres of land on the Harpeth River from the heirs of James Robertson.

On December 29, 1823, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Peter Dent filed an affidavit that Samuel Mays and Agnes Mays were not then residents of Virginia:

"Bedford county Sct

Peter Dent of Lawful age this day appeared personally before me A Otey a justice of the peace for said County and made oath that he is informed & verily believes that Jane Meador, Jubal Meador, Joseph Meador & Judith Meador: Samuel Mays and Agnes his wife, Martin Greer & Mary his Wife and Joel Simmonds and Barsheba his wife are not inhabitants of the commonwealth of Virginia Given from under my hand at Liberty in sd county the 29th Day of Decr 1823

A. Otey JP"

The 1830 Census for Davidson County, Tennessee, listed Samuel Maze with the following household:

Males	Age	Females	Age
1	60-70	1	60-70
2	20-30		

This record indicates that Samuel Mays and Agness (Wright) Mays were born between 1760 and 1770. Since her father was residing in Bedford County at that time, Agness (Wright) Mays' place of birth was probably Bedford County, Virginia.

On January 25, 1836, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. Y/417 Samuel Mays sold 63 acres of land on the Harpeth River to Thomas L. Fowler.

The will of Samuel Mays was dated on October 10, 1837, probated on September 29, 1838, at Davidson County, Tennessee, W.B. 11/398, and provided as follows:

"Samuel Mays decd. will - Recorded Sept. 29th 1838.

I Samuel Mays Senior of the County of Davidson and State of Tennessee do make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking and making void all former wills by me at any time heretofore.

And first I direct that my body be decently intered at the grave yard in my apple orchard said County in a manner suitable to my condition in life. And as to such

worldly estate as it hath pleased God to entrust me with I dispose of the same as follows. 1. First I direct that all my debts and funeral expenses be paid as soon after my decease as possible out of my moneys that I may die possessed of or may first come into the hands of my Executors from any portion of my Estate real or personal.

2. Secondly, I give my son Williom all the land lying south of him joining Jones on the East Allison & Henry on the South worth five hundred dollars.

3. Thirdley - I give my daughter, Judith, a negro girl named Pleasant worth three hundred dollars. Fourthly I give my daughter Polly sixty three acres of land: worth six hundred and eighty dollars which was sold by a decree of the court as the land of the heirs of Dillahunta & is known by the name of Tennison place lying on south Harpath.

5 Fifthly I give my son Wright, a negro man named Frank worth a thousand dollars. 6. Sixth I give my son Joseph one hundred acres of land lying on the waters of brush creek begining on a white oake ____ S. M. worth one hundred dollars. 7th Sevonth I give my son George one negro man named Washington worth one thousand dollars. 8. Eight - I give my son Samuel J a certain tract of land that I now live on begining thirty poles below William W. Marjhon__am & corner on the river runing west with the original line to a boulder and above, thence west four hundred forty five poles to a stake, thence south one hundred and fifty to a stake thonce East with E__s line, three hundred & eighty __oon to a white and poplar thence East running with the line stopping thirty poles west of the apple tree corner thence to the begining, worth one thousand dollars; also one cupboard, also two looking glasses one clock and case, one bed and furniture one folding leaf table.

9th Ninth - I leave my negro woman Dosh to choose her own master and my children to fix the price. 10th Tenth I desire that the balance of my land be sold to the highest bidder with all my perishable property with twelve months credit. 11 Eleventh I will now state what given to my children previous to this will

I have given William five hundred. I have given Judith four hundred and fifteen dollars. I have given Wright five hundred dollars. I have given Joseph five hundred dollars. I have given George five hundred dollars. I have given, I have given Elizabeth six hundred dollars, I have given Agness three hundred dollars. 12 I desire that my daughter Judith and Polly have one hundred dollars a piece more than the rest of my children 13th I have disposed of my property as I now think right. I now request that all my children share equal in my Estate except the above named girls those that have received more than their part to pay back to the estate or pay on time after the space of twelve months

14 I do hereby make ordain and appoint my son William W. Mays and son Samuel Mays Executors of this my last will and Testament. In witness whereof I Samuel Mays the said testator have to this my will written on one sheet of paper, set my hand and seal this tenth day of October in the year 1837.

Signed in presence of us Samuel Mays
his)
William X Lewis)
mark)
Stark B Sears)

State of Tennessee Davidson County Court April term 1838. A paper writing purporting to be the last will & testament of Samuel Mays was producedin court for probate & proved thus; William Lewis and Starks B. Sears the subscribing witnesses hereto being first sworn depose & say that they became such in the presence of the said Samuel Mays and at his request & in the presence of each other and that they verily beleive he was of sound mind & disposing memory at the time of ____ same. Ordered that said paper writing be admitted to record as such will of the said Samuel Mays decd. Whereupon William W. Mays & Samuel Mays the executors named in said will came into court & gave bond in the sum of seven thousand dollars with Lewis Dunn their security & qualified according to law."

From this record the family of Samuel Mays is identified as follows:

Wife: Not named

Children:
1) William W. Mays,
2) Judith Mays,
3) Polly Mays,
4) Wright Mays,
5) Joseph Mays,
6) George Mays,
7) Samuel J. Mays,
8) Elizabeth Mays, and
9) Agness Mays.

The failure of Samuel Mays to name his wife Agness (Wright) Mays in the will suggests that she had probably predeceased him.

The inventory and appraisement and list of sales of the estate of Samuel Mays was dated on March 28, 1838, and filed on October 8, 1838, at Davidson County, Tennessee, W.B. 11/409:

"Samuel Mays decd Inventory & acct. of sale
Recorded October 8th 1838

Names	Inventory	$ cts
Jno S. Prichet	1 Pole axe	.50
David Pinkerton	1 Pole axe	.43¾
David Pinkerton	2 Pole axes	.25
J. C. Prichard	2 Weading hoes	.50
J. Jones	2 Weading hoes	.75
O. D. Moffett	2 Weading hoe	.37½
J. Jones	1 Lot of irons	.18¾
Silas Linton	1 Lot of ploughs	1.18¾
J. C. Prichard	1 Grind stone	.50
J. C. Prichard	1 Iron wedge	.37½
Joseph Mays	1 Iron wedge	.68¾
Wm Lewis	1 Bull tongue	1.25
Wm Walker	1 Bull tongue	1.06¼
T. J. Fowler	1 Bull tongue	.31¼
Thomas Demoss	1 Bareshare plough	5.00
Wm Lewis	Pare of streachers 2 swingle trees	1.00
J. Jones	Pare of strachers &c clevis	.56¼
Wm Dunn	1 Pare of strechers & clevias	.81¼
Walter T. Greer	1 Handsaw & drawing knife	.37½
Ward Hatcher	2 Sickles	.06¼
Wm Dunn	1 Sythe & cradle	2.81¼
Saml. Bartclift	1 Sythe & cradle	3.00
J. Jones	1 Lot of raw hides	4.06¼
A. D. Moffett	1 Set of blacksmith tools	3.12½
Wright Mays	1 Log chain	3.62½
Ward Hatcher	1 Oxen yoke & brier sythe	.31¼
David H. Walton	1 Lot of gear	1.56¼
Walter T. Greer	1 Lot of gear	1.81¼
Saml. Bartclift	1 Lot of gear	1.81¼
Wm Dunn	1 Lot of gear	1.56¼
John S. Prichard	2 Baskets	.37½
Isaac Jones	1 Pot & oven	.87½
Charles Haynes	2 Pots	1.25
Wm Dunn	1 Lot of castings	1.62½
John S. Prichard	1 lot of castings	.12½

Charles Johnson	1 Wash bowl & skillet	.50
Henry M. Anderson	1 Oven & lid	.62½
Ward Hatcher	1 Pot rack & hooks	1.93¼
C J Fowler	1 Churn	.25
Joseph Mays	1 lot of trays	.50
F J Fowler	1 Half bushel	.50
John S. Prichard	3 Andirons	.12½
Samuel Batclift	2 Andirons & shovel	.50
Roger Pegram	2 Pails	.81¼
David Pinkerton	3 Pair of cards	.12½
Charles Haynes	1 Big wheel	2.00
Wm Pegram	1 Flax wheel	1.50
Wm Pegram	1 Hackle	.12½
Wm Hutton	1 Lock reel	.56¼
Wm Dunn	1 Slate	.18¾
T. J. Fowler	1 Square leaf table	1.31¼
Wm Porch	1 Lot of tin	.18¾
Joseph Spence	1 Candle moulds &c	.62½
Nicholas Night	1 Set of plates	.25
N. Night	1 Set of plates	.75
Wm Dunn	1 Set of plates	.56¼
John S. Prichard	1 Set of plates	.43¾
Wm Dunn	1 Lot of queens wares	1.37½
Joseph Spence	1 Lot of queens ware	.50
David Pinkerton	5 cup plates	.12½
Wm Dunn	1 Coffee ____	
Charles Johnson	1 Pitcher & mug	.75
D. H. Walton	3 Bottles & 2 glasses	.25
Wm Dunn	6 Chairs	3.81¼
Joseph Spence	4 Chairs	.25
T. J. Fowler	1 Pair of Smothing irons	1.12½
Joseph Mays	2 Candle sticks & snuffers	1.00
Charles Haynes	1 Stone jar & Pitcher	.12½
Charles Johnson	1 Stone jar & pitcher	.62½
Charles Johnson	1 Stone pitcher	.43¼
Charles Johnson	1 Stone jar	.87½
Charles Johnson	1 Stone jar	.25
D. H. Walton	1 Stone jug	.81¼
D. H. Walton	1 Candle stand	1.81¼
Wrigh Mays	2 Dictionaries	2.50
John S. Prichard	1 Bible & hymn book	.37½
Isaac C. Prichard	4 Books	.50
Jesse Hodges	1 lot of book & Cush	1.06¼
Joseph Mays	1 Bag & apples	.81¼

John S Prichard	1 Large box, one small one	.18¼
John Sellers	1 Bureau	5.00
William Pegram	1 Bureau	15.00
Joseph Spence	1 Book case	4.06¼
Benjamin Innam	1 Hone	.75
Wright Mays	1 Lot of sharing tools	1.25
T. J. Whitfield	2 Bags of feathers at 45 cts pr pound weighing) 18 pounds)	8.10
T. J. Whitfield	1 Bed & furniture & bedstead	22.87½
Wm Porch	C. Chamber	.25
T. J. Whitfield	1 Bed & furniture & bedstead	25.87½
T. J. Whitfield	1 Bed & furniture & bedstead	24.25
Robert Charter	7½ Yards of janes cloth at 45 cents pr yard	4.87½
Wiley B. White	1 Pair of steelyards	.56¼
John Pendergrass	1 Lot of upper leather	2.93¼
J. C. Prichard	1 Side of sole leather	1.18¾
John S. Prichard	1 Lot of sole leather	1.18¾
William Pegram	1 Barrel & flax	.56¼
John S. Prichard	2 Stands	.25
D. H. Walton	7½ Pounds of wood & Log	2.43¼
Jno Pendergrass	1 Saddle & blanket	9.00
Zachariah Sullivan	1 Saddle	1.75
D. H. Walton	Side saddle	4.37½
Wm Dunn	1 Loom & spooling frames - Temples	1.50
Wm Dunn	3 Pair of harnesses	.62½
Jno S Prichard	1 Slay	1.06¼
Thos J. Thornton	1 Slay	.75
Jno S. Prichard	1 Slay	.93¾
Wm Dunn	1 Slay	.62½
Wm Dunn	1 Meal sive	.50
Jas Spence	1 Stand of soap	1.06¼
Wm Dunn	1 Trough & lard	.68¾
Wm. Dunn	1 Stand & table	.56¼
James Bell	317 Pounds of bacon at 9 cts per lb	28.53
David Pinkerton	1 Barrel & salt	2.12¼
Jno S Prichard	1 Still Flake stand singling cag	10.00
T. J. Fowler	4 large stands	1.75
T. J. Fowler	4 whiskey barrels	1.00
T. J. Fowler	1 bag of tar	.87½
David Pinkerton	1 Double barrel	.50
Silas Linton	8 Salt barrels	.37½
T. J. Fowler	7 Barrels	.25
Isaac Jones	2 Wheat gums	1.56½
Isaac C. Prichard	1 Cutting box	.50

Wm Roach	6¼ Bushels wheat at onedollar pr bushel	6.25
T. J. Fowler	1 Wheat fan	25.00
O. D. Moffitt	1 Wagon	35.00
James Bell	1 lot of britching	6.25
James Bell	1 Cow bell & yearling	9.62¼
James Bell	1 Cow & yearling	7.25
James Bell	1 Bull	8.00
Joseph Mays	1 Cow & calf	12.62½
James Bell	1 Black steer	7.00
James Bell	1 Red steer	6.87½
James Bell	1 Pide steer	5.12½
James Bell	White faced heifer	2.25
George Whitfield	10 1st Choice hogs	19.00
George Whitfield	11 2nd choice hogs	17.25
George Whitfield	10 3rd choice hogs	15.50
George Whitfield	10 4th Choice hogs	12.50
George Whitfield	10 5th Choice hogs	10.00
George Whitfield	10 6th Choice hogs	5.50
George Whitfield	10 7th Choice hogs	5.00
George Whitfield	8 8th the last choice hogs	4.00
John Sellers	7 head of sheep	7.25
T. J. Fowler	1 Apple mill	1.25
Elisha Rhodes	1 Blond mare & colt	36.50
Enoch Brown	1 Bay horse	14.12½
Wm Whitfield	1 Gray Mare	.06
Samuel Smith	1 Sorrel Mare	76.00
Isaac Jones	1 Gray mare	90.00
David Pinkerton	1 Barrel & __ seed	.25
George G Mays	1 Stone jug	.25
Martin Usory	400 Pounds of seed cotton	10.00
Wm Pendergrass	100 Pounds of seed cotton	2.56¼
Saml. Basteleft	200 Pounds of seed cotton	5.00
Threpholen(?) Fulgham	680 Pounds of seed cotton	17.00
Alexandria Hutton	23 Bushels of corn at $2 18¾ per barrel	10.00½
Wiley B. White	16 Barrels of corn at $2 06¼ pr barrel	33.00
John Berry	10 Barrels of corn at $2.18¾	21.89½
Harry M Anderson	3 Barrels of corn at $2 25 per barrel	17.00
Zachariah Sullivan	5 Barrels of corn at $2.12½ pr barrel	10.62½
John Sullivan	8 Barrels of corn at $2 12½ per barrel	19.00
Wiley B. Whit	790 Bundles of fodder at 1.14 cents per 100 bundles	9.00
John Evans	14 Turkeys at 49 cents a piece	6.86
Joseph Spence	15 Chickens	2.08

Samuel Smith	15 Head of geese at 17 cents a piece	2.55
John Buttery	23 Bushels of corn refused at $1.25 per barrel	5.17½
	To cash on hand	100.19

1 Negro man named Frank
1 Negro man named Washington
1 Negro girl named Pleasant
1 Negro woman named Dash sold as the will directs for 175.00

One note on James S Parrish & Melvin G. Cow for two hundred & forty eight dollars 41 cents bearing Iterest from the date dated 21 day December 1837.

One note on Thomas F. Thornton for eighty five dollars which was given to Franklin B Pierce dated 21 day of August 1835 assigned to I. therto which is not to __ interest in a covenant against said Thornton

One receipt on George Sulivan for collection nine dollars 41¾ on William Pendergrass with a credit of three dollars & twenty eight cents dated December 20 1826 Insolvent.

One note on Moses Spear for ninety dollars dated March 17th 1831 Insolvent.

One note on Moses Spear &c for two hundred and four dollars dated August 15th 1832. Insolvent George Sulivan recpt for the collection of twenty nine dollars & 4 cents on Levi Reader with a credit of eighteen dollars eighty five cents dated 12th of January 1825. Insolvent -

One due bill on B. bardin for one dollar & fifty cents

One note on James Beals for thirteen dollars

Given to S Casey and __ by him to Samuel Mays with a credit of nine dollars eighty seven half cents dated February 25th 1837.

Thomas J. Thornton acknowledged himself indebted to the estate of Samuel May decd for four hundred pounds of seed cotton at three cents per pound 12.00

Lewis Dunn acknowledged himself indebted to the estate of Samuel Mays deceased for seventy pounds of seed cotton at three cents per pound 2.10

Inventory of the Estate of Samuel Mays deceased property sold on the 28 day of March 1838 by his Executors

Wm. W. Mays
Samuel Mays
Executors of Samuel Mays deceased

Sworn to by both May 7th 1838.

Smith Criddle Clk

State of Tennessee Davidson County Court May Term 1838. William W. Mays and Samuel Mays executors of Samuel Mays decd returned into court on oath an inventory of said decedents estate which is ordered to be recorded."

The date of the will and of the estate sale indicates that Samuel Mays died between October 10, 1837, and March 28, 1838.

The Declaration of Littleberry Wright dated June 19, 1873, and recorded at Meade County, Kentucky, W.B. 9/139 identified Aggie Wright as one of 1815 Joseph Wright's children:

"Meade County State of Kentucky, United States of America the nineteenth day of June A.D. One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventh Three,

I Little Berry Wright of the County State and Country aforesaid was born March the 25th twenty _____ day One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety One in the State of Virginia near Bedford or Franklin County. My father was named Joseph Wright Jr. of Bedford County Virginia. he was a Son of Joseph Wright Sr. of the County of Bedford and State aforesaid who was my grandfather.
. . . .

My Grand Father had five children by his first wife which was my Grand mother the names of which was Thomas, Mary, Milly, John and Joseph, The names of the children by his Second wife was named Aggie Nancy, Basheba, Judith, Martha, Mathew & Wright-Wright making twelve in all. . . ."

Our Kin stated that Samuel and Agness Mays went to Davidson County, Tennessee, before 1820.

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"A family who lived downriver to the Linton plantation was that of the Reverend Samuel Mays. He and his wife, the former Agnes Wright, came to Davidson County around 1805 from Bedford County, Virginia. The son of James and Mary Mays, the minister wore the typical long robes when he preached at his Methodist meetinghouse on Sundays. Their home was called Riverside on the

west side of South Harpeth, north of the bridge on Highway 100. The Mays couple raised a large family who intermarried with many of the early households who settled Middle Tennessee. Their children were:[244] William Wright Mays who married Perninah Fowler; Judith Mays who married (1) Lewis Dunn, (2) Mr. Woodward; Mary Mays who married Thomas J. Thornton; Wright Mays who married Patsy Pegram. Elizabeth Mays who married Thomas J. Fowler; Joseph Mays who married (1) Eliza Barham, (2) Virginia McDonald. (3) Perninah Ussery Pegram: George Greer Mays who married Lavinia Davis; Agnes Mays who married (1) William Pegram, (2) Samuel Kingston; and Samuel Mays, Junior who married Annis Linton. . . ."

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below, the children of Agness (Wright) Mays and Samuel Mays were the following:

1) William Wright Mays, born about 1794 at Virginia, probably at Bedford County, Virginia,

2) Judith (Mays) (Dunn) Woodward,

3) Mary "Polly" (Mays) Thornton, born probably before 1803,

4) Elizabeth (Mays) Fowler, born probably before 1807 and probably between 1794 and 1804,

5) Wright Mays, born on August 5, 1805 at Davidson County, Tennessee,

6) Joseph Mays, born about 1808 at Tennessee, probably at Davidson County, Tennessee,

7) George Greer Mays, born about 1806 or 1810 at Tennessee, probably at Davidson County, Tennessee,

8) Samuel J. Mays, born about 1815 probably at Davidson County, Tennessee, and

9) Agness (Mays) (Pegram) Kingston, born probably before 1816.

a. <u>William Wright Mays, His Wife Pennia Or Paninah Or Perninah (Fowler) Mays, And His Descendants</u>

William Wright Mays was a son of Agness (Wright) Mays and Samuel Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3])

<u>Marriages Of Davidson County, Tennessee 1789-1847</u> listed the issuance of a marriage bond for Wm. W. Mays and Pennia Fowler on December 15, 1818, at

Davidson County, Tennessee, with the solemnization on December 17, 1818, by Eldridge Newsom.

The Index To The 1820 Census Of Tennessee listed William W. Mays in Davidson County, Tennessee.

On January 23, 1822, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. Q/59 William W. Mays purchased 151 acres of land on the Harpeth River from Samuel Mays.

On January 20, 1823, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. Q/307 William W. Mays sold 100 acres on the Harpeth River to Thomas J. Fowler.

On October 1, 1823, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. Q/306 William W. Mays purchased 100 acres of land on the Harpeth River from John Jones.

On February 5, 1829, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. S/183 William W. Mays purchased 640 acres of land on the Harpeth River from A. M. Hooper and others.

On February 13, 1829, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. S/183 William W. Mays purchased 540 acres of land on the Harpeth River from John Davis.

On July 10, 1829, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. S/493 William W. Mays sold 130 acres of land on Big Harpeth to Sterling Fowler and others.

1830 Census - Middle Tennessee listed Wm. Maze in Davidson County with the following household:

Males	Age	Females	Age
1	30-40	1	50-60
1	20-30	1	30-40
1	5-10	2	15-20
		1	5-10
		1	0-5

This record indicates that William W. Mays and Pennia (Fowler) Mays were born between 1790 and 1800. The older woman in the household may have been the mother of Pennia (Fowler) Mays, but further research will be required to confirm that identification.

On November 20, 1830, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. 1/471 William W. Mays sold land on the Harpeth River to Isaac Jones.

The will of Samuel Mays dated October 10, 1837, and probated on September 29, 1838, at Davidson County, Tennessee, W.B. 11/398 listed William W. Mays as one of his children:

"Samuel Mays decd. will - Recorded Sept. 29th 1838.

I Samuel Mays Senior of the County of Davidson and State of Tennessee do make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking and making void all former wills by me at any time heretofore.

. . . .

2. Secondly, I give my son Williom all the land lying south of him joining Jones on the East Allison & Henry on the South worth five hundred dollars.

. . . .

5 Fifthly I give my son Wright, a negro man named Frank worth a thousand dollars. . . .

11 Eleventh I will now state what given to my children previous to this will

I have given William five hundred. . . .

14 I do hereby make ordain and appoint my son William W. Mays and son Samuel Mays Executors of this my last will and Testament. . . .

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On August 10, 1838, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. 2/397 William W. Mays sold 40 acres of land on the Harpeth River to Samuel Mays.

<u>1840 Census - Tennessee</u> listed William W. Mays in Davidson County, Tennessee, with the following household:

Males	Age	Females	Age
1	40-50	1	30-40
1	20-30	1	10-15
1	15-20	1	5-10
1	10-15	1	0-5
1	0-5		

This record indicates that William W. Mays was born between 1790 and 1800 and that Pennia (Fowler) Mays was born between 1800 and 1810.

On November 3, 1840, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. 5/18 W. W. Mays purchased land on the Harpeth River from Thomas T. Fowler.

On December 28, 1841, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. 5/19 W. W. Mays purchased land on Brush Creek from Thomas J. Thornton.

On January 9, 1849, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. 12/151 Wm. W. Mays purchased land on the Harpeth River from Isaac Jones.

1850 Census - Tennessee listed William W. Mays in Davidson County with the following household:

Name	Age	Born
William W. Mays	56	Virginia
Paninah Mays	51	Tennessee
James Mays	26	
John Mays	21	
Agniss Mays	17	
Louisiana Mays	14	
Samuel Mays	12	

This record indicates that William W. Mays was born in about 1794 in Virginia and that Paninah (Fowler) Mays was born in about 1799 in Tennessee.

On August 14, 1852, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. 16/230 William W. Mays sold land on the Harpeth River and Brush Creek to Joel F. Mays.

1860 Census - Tennessee listed Panina Mays in Davidson County with the following household:

Name	Age	Born
Panina Mays	59	
Samuel Mays	22	

This record indicates that Panina (Fowler) Mays was born in about 1801. The absence of William W. Mays from this census suggests that he probably died before 1860.

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> . . . .
>
> There were a number of Mays descendants who were residents in early West Nashville. William Wright Mays married Perninah Fowler, the daughter of William and Deborah (Lyles) Fowler, and they had a number of children, as follows: Joseph Fowler Mays who married (1) Mary Ann Thompson, (2) Widow Mary Pritchard Berry; Elizabeth Mays who married Wilson Neal Thompson; James Fowler Mays, single; Caroline Mays who married Thomas W. DeMoss, Junior; John Franklin Mays, died age 22 years: Sally Mays, died young: Agnes Mays who married (1) N. Porter Slayden, (2) William P. Hickman; Louisiana Mays who married Doctor John Beck Hill; and Samuel T. Mays who married (1) Carrie T. Hill, (2) Widow Sallie Scallion. . . ."

In his letter dated February 15, 2001, James Mays also enclosed family group sheets which stated that William Wright Mays was a son of Samuel Mays and Agness (Wright) Mays, was born in 1794, married Perninah Fowler on December 17, 1818, at Davidson County, Virginia.

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below, the children of William Wright Mays and Pennia or Paninah or Perninah (Fowler) Mays were the following:

1) Joseph Fowler Mays,

2) Elizabeth (Mays) Thompson,

3) James Fowler Mays, born about 1824 probably at Davidson County, Tennessee,

4) Caroline (Mays) DeMoss,

5) John Franklin Mays, born about 1829 probably at Davidson County, Tennessee,

6) Sally Mays,

7) Agniss or Agnes (Mays) (Slayden) Hickman, born about 1833 probably at Davidson County, Tennessee,

8) Louisian (Mays) Hill, born about 1836 probably at Davidson County, Tennessee, and

9) Samuel T. Mays, born about 1838 probably at Davidson County, Tennessee.

i. Joseph Fowler Mays And His Wives Mary Ann (Thompson) Mays And Mary (Pritchard) (Berry) Mays

Joseph Fowler Mays was a son of William Wright Mays and Pennia or Paninah or Perninah (Fowler) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], William Wright[4])

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ii. Elizabeth (Mays) Thompson And Her Husband Wilson Neal Thompson

Elizabeth (Mays) Thompson was a daughter of William Wright Mays and Pennia or Paninah or Perninah (Fowler) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], William Wright[4])

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> . . . . Elizabeth Mays who married Wilson Neal Thompson;
> . . . ."

iii. James Fowler Mays

James Mays was a son of William Wright Mays and Pennia or Paninah or Perninah (Fowler) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], William Wright[4])

1850 Census - Tennessee listed James Mays in the William W. Mays household and his age as 26, indicating a date of birth in about 1824.

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> . . . . James Fowler Mays, single; . . . ."

iv. Caroline (Mays) DeMoss And Her Husband Thomas W. DeMoss

Caroline (Mays) DeMoss was a daughter of William Wright Mays and Pennia or Paninah or Perninah (Fowler) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], William Wright[4])

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". . . .
There were a number of Mays descendants who were residents in early West Nashville. William Wright Mays married Perninah Fowler, the daughter of William and Deborah (Lyles) Fowler, and they had a number of children, as follows:
. . . . Caroline Mays who married Thomas W. DeMoss, Junior; . . . ."

v. John Franklin Mays

John Franklin Mays was a son of William Wright Mays and Pennia or Paninah or Perninah (Fowler) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], William Wright[4])

1850 Census - Tennessee listed John Mays in the William W. Mays household and his age as 21, indicating a date of birth in about 1829.

In his letter dated February 15, 2001, James Mays enclosed an excerpt from West Nashville: Its People And Environs by Sarah Foster Kelley, 1967, which stated that:

". . . .
There were a number of Mays descendants who were residents in early West Nashville. William Wright Mays married Perninah Fowler, the daughter of William and Deborah (Lyles) Fowler, and they had a number of children, as follows:
. . . . John Franklin Mays, died age 22 years: . . . ."

vi. Sally Mays

Sally Mays was a daughter of William Wright Mays and Pennia or Paninah or Perninah (Fowler) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], William Wright[4])

In his letter dated February 15, 2001, James Mays enclosed an excerpt from West Nashville: Its People And Environs by Sarah Foster Kelley, 1967, which stated that:

". . . .
There were a number of Mays descendants who were residents in early West Nashville. William Wright Mays married Perninah Fowler, the daughter of William and Deborah (Lyles) Fowler, and they had a number of children, as follows:
. . . .Sally Mays, died young: . . . ."

vii. Agniss Or Agnes (Mays) (Slayden) Hickman And Her Husbands N. Porter Slayden And William P. Hickman

Agniss or Agnes (Mays) (Slayden) Hickman was a daughter of William Wright Mays and Pennia or Paninah Perninah (Fowler) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], William Wright[4])

1850 Census - Tennessee listed Agniss Mays in the William W. Mays household and her age as 17, indicating a date of birth in about 1833.

In his letter dated February 15, 2001, James Mays enclosed an excerpt from West Nashville: Its People And Environs by Sarah Foster Kelley, 1967, which stated that:

> ". . . .
> There were a number of Mays descendants who were residents in early West Nashville. William Wright Mays married Perninah Fowler, the daughter of William and Deborah (Lyles) Fowler, and they had a number of children, as follows:
> . . . . Agnes Mays who married (1) N. Porter Slayden, (2) William P. Hickman; . . . ."

vii. Louisiana (Mays) Hill And Her Husband John Beck Hill

Louisiana (Mays) Hill was a daughter of William Wright Mays and Pennia or Paninah or Perninah (Fowler) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], William W.[4])

1850 Census - Tennessee listed Louisiana Mays in the William W. Mays household and her age as 14, indicating a date of birth in about 1836.

Davidson Co., TN Marriages 1838-1863 stated that Louisinia Mayes married John B. Hill.

In his letter dated February 15, 2001, James Mays enclosed an excerpt from West Nashville: Its People And Environs by Sarah Foster Kelley, 1967, which stated that:

> ". . . .
> There were a number of Mays descendants who were residents in early West Nashville. William Wright Mays married Perninah Fowler, the daughter of

William and Deborah (Lyles) Fowler, and they had a number of children, as follows:
. . . . Louisiana Mays who married Doctor John Beck Hill;
. . . .
The family of Doctor John Beck moved to the new town of West Nashville in 1898. Their son, John William Hill, built his home on old Richland Avenue (present Fifty-fourth) in 1901, and raised a family of nine children. He was the grandfather of the writer. John William Hill was a contractor and built homes all over Nashville. . . ."

viii. Samuel T. Mays And His Wives Carrie T. (Hill) Mays And Sallie (____) (Scallion) Mays

Samuel T. Mays was a son of William Wright Mays and Pennia or Paninah or Perninah (Fowler) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], William W.[4])

1850 Census - Tennessee listed Samuel Mays in the William W. Mays household and his age as 12, indicating a date of birth in about 1838.

1860 Census - Tennessee listed Samuel Mays in the Panina Mays household and his age as 22, indicating a date of birth in about 1838.

In his letter dated February 15, 2001, James Mays enclosed an excerpt from West Nashville: Its People And Environs by Sarah Foster Kelley, 1967, which stated that:

". . . .
There were a number of Mays descendants who were residents in early West Nashville. William Wright Mays married Perninah Fowler, the daughter of William and Deborah (Lyles) Fowler, and they had a number of children, as follows:
. . . . and Samuel T. Mays who married (1) Carrie T. Hill, (2) Widow Sallie Scallion. . . ."

b. Judith (Mays) (Dunn) Woodward And Her Husbands Lewis Dunn And ____ Woodward

Judith (Mays) (Dunn) Woodward was a daughter of Agness (Wright) Mays and Samuel Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3])

Marriages Of Davidson County, Tennessee 1789-1847 listed the issuance of a marriage bond for Judith Mays and Dunn Lewis on September 21, 1814, at Davidson

County, Tennessee, and this was probably the marriage of Samuel Mays' daughter, but the name of the husband appears to be reversed.

The will of Samuel Mays dated October 10, 1837, and probated on September 29, 1838, at Davidson County, Tennessee, W.B. 11/398 listed Judith as one of his children:

> "Samuel Mays decd. will - Recorded Sept. 29th 1838.
>
> I Samuel Mays Senior of the County of Davidson and State of Tennessee do make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking and making void all former wills by me at any time heretofore.
> . . . .
>
> 3. Thirdley - I give my daughter, Judith, a negro girl named Pleasant worth three hundred dollars. . . .
>
> 11 Eleventh I will now state what given to my children previous to this will. . . .
>
> I have given Judith four hundred and fifteen dollars. . . . 12 I desire that my daughter Judith and Polly have one hundred dollars a piece more than the rest of my children. . . ."

In his letter dated February 15, 2001, James Mays enclosed an excerpt from West Nashville: Its People And Environs by Sarah Foster Kelley, 1967, which stated that:

> "A family who lived downriver to the Linton plantation was that of the Reverend Samuel Mays. He and his wife, the former Agnes Wright, came to Davidson County around 1805 from Bedford County, Virginia. . . . . The Mays couple raised a large family who intermarried with many of the early households who settled Middle Tennessee. Their children were:[244] . . . . Judith Mays who married (1) Lewis Dunn, (2) Mr. Woodward; . . . ."

In his letter dated February 15, 2001, James Mays also enclosed family group sheets which stated that Judith Mays was a daughter of Agness (Wright) Mays and Samuel Mays, married first Lewis Dunn on September 2, 1814, at Williamson County, Tennessee, and married second ____ Woodward.

c. Mary "Polly" (Mays) Thornton And Her Husband Thomas J. Thornton

Mary "Polly" (Mays) Thornton was a daughter of Agness (Wright) Mays and Samuel Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3])

Marriages Of Davidson County, Tennessee 1789-1847 listed the issuance of a marriage bond for Polly Mays and Thomas J. Thornton on March 28, 1818, at Davidson County, Tennessee, with the solemnization on March 24, 1818, by Wm. Hume, V.D.M.

The will of Samuel Mays dated October 10, 1837, and probated on September 29, 1838, at Davidson County, Tennessee, W.B. 11/398 listed Polly as one of his children:

> "Samuel Mays decd. will - Recorded Sept. 29th 1838.
>
> I Samuel Mays Senior of the County of Davidson and State of Tennessee do make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking and making void all former wills by me at any time heretofore.
> . . . .
>
> Fourthly I give my daughter Polly sixty three acres of land: worth six hundred and eighty dollars which was sold by a decree of the court as the land of the heirs of Dillahunta & is known by the name of Tennison place lying on south Harpath. . . .
>
> 12 I desire that my daughter Judith and Polly have one hundred dollars a piece more than the rest of my children 13th I have disposed of my property as I now think right. . . ."

On December 28, 1841, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. 5/19 Thomas J. Thornton sold land on Brush Creek to W. W. Mays.

In his letter dated February 15, 2001, James Mays enclosed an excerpt from West Nashville: Its People And Environs by Sarah Foster Kelley, 1967, which stated that:

> "A family who lived downriver to the Linton plantation was that of the Reverend Samuel Mays. He and his wife, the former Agnes Wright, came to Davidson County around 1805 from Bedford County, Virginia. . . . . The Mays couple raised a large family who intermarried with many of the early households who settled Middle Tennessee. Their children were:[244] . . . . Mary Mays who married Thomas J. Thornton; . . . ."

In his letter dated February 15, 2001, James Mays also enclosed family group sheets which stated that Mary Mays was a daughter of Agness (Wright) Mays and Samuel Mays and married Thomas J. Thornton.

d. Elizabeth (Mays) Fowler And Her Husband Thomas J. Or T. Fowler

Elizabeth (Mays) Fowler was a daughter of Agness (Wright) Mays and Samuel Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3])

Marriages Of Davidson County, Tennessee 1789-1847 listed the issuance of a marriage bond for Elizabeth Mays and Thomas J. Fowler on December 24, 1822, at Davidson County, Tennessee, with the solemnization on January 2, 1823, by Wm. H. Shelton, J.P.

The will of Samuel Mays dated October 10, 1837, and probated on September 29, 1838, at Davidson County, Tennessee, W.B. 11/398 listed Elizabeth as one of his children:

> "Samuel Mays decd. will - Recorded Sept. 29th 1838.
>
> I Samuel Mays Senior of the County of Davidson and State of Tennessee do make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking and making void all former wills by me at any time heretofore.
> . . . .
>
> 11 Eleventh I will now state what given to my children previous to this will. . . .
>
> I have given, I have given Elizabeth six hundred dollars. . . ."

On November 3, 1840, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. 5/18 Thomas T. Fowler sold land on the Harpeth River to W. W. Mays.

In his letter dated February 15, 2001, James Mays enclosed an excerpt from West Nashville: Its People And Environs by Sarah Foster Kelley, 1967, which stated that:

> "A family who lived downriver to the Linton plantation was that of the Reverend Samuel Mays. He and his wife, the former Agnes Wright, came to Davidson County around 1805 from Bedford County, Virginia. . . . . The Mays couple raised a large family who intermarried with many of the early households who settled

Middle Tennessee. Their children were:[244] . . . . Elizabeth Mays who married Thomas J. Fowler; . . . ."

In his letter dated February 15, 2001, James Mays also enclosed family group sheets which stated that Elizabeth Mays was a daughter of Agness (Wright) Mays and Samuel Mays and married Thomas J. Fowler.

e. Wright Mays, His Wives Martha "Patsy" (Pegram) Mays and Rachel (Jones) Mays, And His Descendants

Wright Mays was a son of Agness (Wright) Mays and Samuel Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3])

In her letter dated May 20, 2000, Marilyn Barnhart enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Wright Mays which listed the following information:

"Parents' Record.

Father.

Wright Mays was bornd the 5th Day of August in the year of our Lord one Thousand Eight Hundred and five

Mother.

Patsey Mays his wife was bornd in the yeare of Our Lord one thousand Eight Hundred and Sevin

Rachel A. Mays his wife was Born on 15th Day of April 1825.

Births.

1) Fanny Agness Mays Was Bornd in the year of our Lorde one thousand Eight Hundred and thirty September the 20th

2) Elizabeth Jane Mays the daughter of Wright Mays was bornd November 25th 1831

3) Gorge P. Mays the son of Wright Mays Was Borned April 26th in the year of our Lord 1833

4) Samul L. Mays the sone of Wright Mays was Bornd December the 14th in the year of our Lord 1836

5) Joseph Mays the Sone of Wright Mays Was bornd May the 24th in the year of our Lord 1839

6) Judith C. Mays the Daughter of Wright Mays was Bornd August 4th in the year of Our Lord 1843

Marriages.

Wright Mays and Patsey Pegram was Married on the 3rd of December in the year of our Lord A.D. 1829

Wright Mays and Rachel Jones was Married on the 22" of March 1849

Baoelusky Adelie Mays was born in the year of our Lord 1861 June the 14th

Mary Smith Mays was born in the year of our Lord 1864 December the 11th

Ada Scott Mays was born July the 24th AD 1867

Sarah Ann Mays the Daughter of Wright Mays was bornd May the 15 in the year of our Lord AD 1850

Sarah Ann Mays Daughter of Wright & Rachel Mays Departed this life on the 21st day of Septembeer in the Year of our Lord A.D 1855."

On June 10, 1828, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. S/241 Wright Mays purchased 230 acres of land on Big Harpeth from David G. Thompson and others.

On January 12, 1829, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. S/253 Wright Mays purchased 253 acres of land on Big Harpeth from James Anderson.

Marriages Of Davidson County, Tennessee 1789-1847 listed the issuance of a marriage bond for Wright Mays and Patsy Pegram on November 26, 1829, at Davidson County, Tennessee, with the solemnization on December 3, 1829, by Jno. C. Hicks, M.G.

The will of Samuel Mays dated October 10, 1837, and probated on September 29, 1838, at Davidson County, Tennessee, W.B. 11/398 listed Wright Mays as one of his children:

"Samuel Mays decd. will - Recorded Sept. 29th 1838.

I Samuel Mays Senior of the County of Davidson and State of Tennessee do make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking and making void all former wills by me at any time heretofore.
. . . .

5 Fifthly I give my son Wright, a negro man named Frank worth a thousand dollars. . . .

11 Eleventh I will now state what given to my children previous to this will. . . .

I have given Wright five hundred dollars. . . ."

1840 Census - Tennessee listed Wright Mays in Davidson County, Tennessee, with the following household:

Males	Age	Females	Age
1	30-40	1	30-40
1	5-10	1	10-15
2	0-5		

This record indicates that Wright Mays and Patsy (Pegram) Mays were born between 1800 and 1810.

On November 22, 1846, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. 9/411 Wright Mays purchased land from Edward Pegram.

Davidson Co., TN Marriages 1838-1863 listed the marriage bond of Wright Mays and Rachiel Jones on March 22, 1849, at Davidson County, Tennessee, with the marriage on March 23, 1849.

On September 8, 1849, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. 12/626 Wright Mays sold land on Big Harpeth to Isaac Jones.

1850 Census - Tennessee listed Wright Mays in Davidson County, Tennessee, with the following household:

Name	Age	Born
Wright Mays	45	Tennessee
Rachael Mays	23	Tennessee
George P. Mays	16	
Saml Mays	13	
Judith C. Mays	6	
Sarah A. Mays	1/12	

This record indicates that Wright Mays was born in about 1805 at Tennessee and that Rachael (Jones) Mays was born in about 1827 at Tennessee. The ages of the children confirm that the first three children listed were from Wright Mays' first marriage and that the fourth child listed was from his second marriage.

On December 2, 1853, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. 18/154 Wright Mays sold land to J. P. Pegram.

On April 6, 1858, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. 28/136 Wright Mays executed a power of attorney to John W. Jones.

1860 Census - Tennessee listed Wright Mays in Humphreys County, Tennessee, with the following household:

Name	Age
Wright Mays	55
Rebecca Mays	34
G. B. Hannah	35
Houston	13
Franklin	8

While this would seem to be the household of Wright Mays and Rachael (Jones) Mays, further research will be required to confirm this identification.

In her letter dated May 20, 2000, Marilyn Barnhart enclosed family group sheets which stated that Wright Mays was a son of Samuel Mays and Agness (Wright) Mays, was born in 1805 at Tennessee, married first Martha "Patsy" Pegram on December 3, 1829, at Davidson County, Tennessee, married second Rachel Jones on March 23, 1849, resided in 1880 at Grayson County, Texas, and was a farmer, that Martha "Patsy" (Pegram) Mays was born in 1807 and died in 1848, that Rachel (Jones) Mays

was born on April 15, 1825, at Tennessee, and that Wright Mays and Martha "Patsy" (Pegram) Mays had the following children:

1) Fanny Agnes Mays, born on September 20, 1830, at Tennessee,

2) Elizabeth Jane Mays, born on November 25, 1831, at Tennessee,

3) George P. Mays, born on April 26, 1833, at Davidson County, Tennessee,

4) Samuel L. Mays, born on December 14, 1836, at Tennessee,

5) Joseph Mays, born on May 24, 1839, at Tennessee, and

6) Judith C. Mays, born on August 4, 1843, at Tennessee, and

that Wright Mays and Rachel (Jones) Mays had the following children:

1) Sarah Ann Mays, born on May 15, 1850,

2) Addie Rodusky or Roduskie Addie (Mays) McCrory, born on June 14, 1861, at Davidson County, Tennessee,

3) Mary Smith "Molly" (Mays) (Paceley) Ure, born on December 11, 1864, and

4) Ida Scott Mays, born on May 15, 1867.

In his letter dated February 15, 2001, James Mays enclosed an excerpt from West Nashville: Its People And Environs by Sarah Foster Kelley, 1967, which stated that:

> "A family who lived downriver to the Linton plantation was that of the Reverend Samuel Mays. He and his wife, the former Agnes Wright, came to Davidson County around 1805 from Bedford County, Virginia. . . . . The Mays couple raised a large family who intermarried with many of the early households who settled Middle Tennessee. Their children were:[244] . . . . Wright Mays who married Patsy Pegram. . . . ."

In his letter dated February 15, 2001, James Mays enclosed an excerpt from A History Of Humphreys County, Tennessee byJill Knight Garrett, 1963, which stated that:

> "Samuel L. Mays -- b. Dec. 14, 1836, Davidson County, Tenn. (Son of Wright Mays, b. Tennessee, moved 1852 to Humphreys County, living in Texas in 1886 at age of 82; and Martha Pigrann or Pegram, b. Virginia.) . . . ."

In his letter dated February 15, 2001, James Mays also enclosed family group sheets which stated that Wright Mays was a son of Agness (Wright) Mays Samuel Mays, was born on August 5, 1805, at Davidson County, Tennessee, married first Martha "Patsy" Pegram on December 3, 1829, at Davidson County, Tennessee, married second Rachel Jones on March 27, 1849, and died at Grayson County, Texas, that Martha (Pegram) Mays was born in 1813 and died in 1849, that Rachel (Jones) Mays was born on April 15, 1825, and died between 1900 and 1907, and that Wright Mays and Martha (Pegram) Mays had the following children:

1) Frances Agness (Mays) Hanna, born on September 20, 1830,

2) Elizabeth Jane Mays, born on November 25, 1831,

3) George P. Mays, born on April 26, 1833,

4) Samuel L. Mays, born on December 14, 1836,

5) Joseph Mays, born on May 24, 1839,

6) Judith Mays, born on August 4, 1843, and

that Wright Mays and Rachel (Jones) Mays had the following children:

1) Addie Roduskie or Roduskie Addie (Mays) McCrory, born on April 15, 1861, at Tennessee,

2) Mary Smith (Mays) (Pacely) Ure, born on December 11, 1864, at Tennessee, and

3) Ida Scott Mays, born on July 24, 1867.

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below, the children of Wright Mays and Martha "Patsy" (Pegram) Mays were the following:

1) Fanny Agnes Mays, born on September 20, 1830, at Tennessee,

2) Elizabeth Jane Mays, born on November 25, 1831, at Tennessee,

3) George P. Mays, born on April 26, 1833, at Davidson County, Tennessee,

4) Samuel L. Mays, born on December 14, 1836, Davidson County, Tennessee,

5) Joseph Mays, born on May 24, 1839, at Tennessee, and

6) Judith C. Mays, born on August 4, 1843, at Tennessee, probably at Davidson County, and

the children of Wright Mays and Rachael (Jones) Mays were the following:

1) Sarah Ann Mays, born on May 15, 1850, probably at Davidson County, Tennessee.

2) Baoelusky Adelie or Addie Rodusky or Roduskie Addie (Mays) McCrory, born on June 14, 1861, at Davidson County, Tennessee,

3) Mary Smith "Molly" (Mays) (Paceley) Ure, born on December 11, 1864, at Tennessee, and

4) Ida or Ada Scott Mays, born on July 21, 1867.

i. Frances "Fanny" Agnes (Mays) Hanna, Her Husband Green B. Hanna, And Her Descendants

Frances "Fanny" Agnes (Mays) Hanna was a daughter of Wright Mays and Martha "Patsy" (Pegram) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], Wright[4])

In her letter dated May 20, 2000, Marilyn Barnhart enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Wright Mays which stated that:

"Births.

1) Fanny Agness Mays was Bornd in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight Hundred and thirty September the 20th
. . . ."

In her letter dated May 20, 2000, Marilyn Barnhart enclosed family group sheets which stated that Fannie Agness Mays was a daughter of Wright Mays and Martha "Patsy" (Pegram) Mays and was born on September 20, 1830, at Tennessee.

In his letter dated February 15, 2001, James Mays enclosed family group sheets which stated that Frances Agness Mays was a daughter of Wright Mays and Martha (Pegram) Mays, was born on September 20, 1830, and married Green B. Hanna on January 18, 1847, at Tennessee and that Frances Agness (Mays) Hanna and Green B. Hanna had the following children:

1) Houston Hanna, born in 1847, and

2) Franklin Hanna, born in 1852.

ii. Elizabeth Jane Mays

Elizabeth Jane Mays was a daughter of Wright Mays and Martha "Patsy" (Pegram) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], Wright[4])

In her letter dated May 20, 2000, Marilyn Barnhart enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Wright Mays which stated that:

"Births.
. . . .
2) Elizabeth Jane Mays the Daughter of Wright Mays was bornd November 25th 1831
. . . ."

In her letter dated May 20, 2000, Marilyn Barnhart enclosed family group sheets which stated that Elizabeth Jane Mays was a daughter of Wright Mays and Martha "Patsy" (Pegram) Mays and was born on November 25, 1831, at Tennessee.

In his letter dated February 15, 2001, James Mays enclosed family group sheets which stated that Elizabeth Jane Mays was a daughter of Wright Mays and Martha (Pegram) Mays and was born on November 25, 1831.

iii. George P. Mays, His Wife Elizabeth (____) Mays, And His Descendants

George P. Mays was a son of Wright Mays and Patsy (Pegram) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], Wright[4])

In her letter dated May 20, 2000, Marilyn Barnhart enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Wright Mays which stated that:

"Births.
. . . .
3) Gorge P. Mays the son of Wright Mays was Borned April 26th in the year of our Lord 1833
. . . ."

1850 Census - Tennessee listed George P. Mays in the Wright Mays household and his age as 16, indicating a date of birth in about 1834.

In her letter dated May 20, 2000, Marilyn Barnhart enclosed family group sheets which stated that George P. Mays was a son of Wright Mays and Martha "Patsy" (Pegram) Mays, was born on April 26, 1833, at Davidson County, Tennessee, and

married Elizabeth ____, and resided in 1870 at Fulton County, Kentucky, that Elizabeth (____) Mays was born in about 1841, and that George P. Mays and Elizabeth (____) Mays had the following children:

1) William Mays, born in 1856, and

2) Josephine Mays, born in 1859.

In his letter dated February 15, 2001, James Mays enclosed family group sheets which stated that George P. Mays was a son of Wright Mays and Martha (Pegram) Mays, was born on April 26, 1833, and married Elizabeth ____ in about 1871.

iv. Samuel L. Mays, His Wives Sarah J. (Mitchell) Mays And Elizabeth (Reeves) Mays, And His Descendants

Samuel L. Mays was a son of Wright Mays and Patsy (Pegram) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], Wright[4])

In her letter dated May 20, 2000, Marilyn Barnhart enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Wright Mays which stated that:

"Births.
. . . .
4) Samuel L. Mays the sone of Wright Mays Was Bornd Dcember the 14th in the year of our Lord 1836
. . . ."

1850 Census - Tennessee listed Samuel Mays in the Wright Mays household and his age as 13, indicating a date of birth in about 1837.

In her letter dated May 20, 2000, Marilyn Barnhart enclosed family group sheets which stated that Samuel L. Mays was a son of Wright Mays and Martha "Patsy" (Pegram) Mays and was born on December 14, 1836, at Davidson County, Tennessee, and married Sarah ____, that Sarah (____) Mays was born in about 1840, and that Samuel L. Mays and Sarah (____) Mays had the following children:

1) Martha Mays, born in about 1856 or 1857,

2) Elizabeth Mays, born in 1858, and

3) James Mays, born in 1860.

In his letter dated February 15, 2001, James Mays enclosed an excerpt from A History Of Humphreys County, Tennessee byJill Knight Garrett, 1963, which stated that:

> "Samuel L. Mays -- b. Dec. 14, 1836, Davidson County, Tenn. (Son of Wright Mays, b. Tennessee, moved 1852 to Humphreys County, living in Texas in 1886 at age of 82; and Martha Pigrann or Pegram, b. Virginia.) Married Oct. 2, 1856, Sarah J. Mitchell, mother of seven children, d Feb. 16, 1875. Married March 25, 1878, Elizabeth Reeves, mother of three chldren. Enlisted as private in 10 Tennessee Cavalry, wounded in left arm with the result of amputation.
>
> Children by first marriage:
>
> 1. Elizabeth
> 2. James W.
> 3. Augustus H.
> 4. Samuel
> 5. Allen
> 6. Daisy B.
> 7. William
>
> Children by second marriage:
>
> 1. Maggie B.
> 2. Putt
> 3. Izora"

In his letter dated February 15, 2001, James Mays also enclosed family group sheets which stated that Samuel L. Mays was a son of Wright Mays and Martha (Pegram) Mays, was born on December 14, 1836, married first Sarah Mitchell on October 20, 1855, enlisted on June 30, 1863, as a private in Company F, 10th Tennessee Cavalry, was wounded at the battle of Chicamauga and lost his left arm, was captured on May 4, 1865, at Citeonelle, Alabama, was paroled on May 19, 1865, at Gainsville, Alabama, and married second Betty Reeves on March 24, 1878, at Humphreys County, Tennessee, that Sarah (Mitchell) Mays was born in 1839 and died on February 16, 1875, and that Samuel L. Mays and Sarah (Mitchell) Mays had the following children:

1) Martha Mays, born in 1857,

2) Elizabeth Mays, born in 1858,

3) James Wright Mays, born on June 7, 1860, at Hurricane Mills, Tennessee,

4) Augustus Henry Mays,

5) Samuel Mays, born in 1866,

6) George Allen Mays, born in 1868,

7) Dorsey Allen Mays, born in 1870, and

8) William Isaac Mays, born in 1872,

and that Samuel L. Mays and Betty (Reeves) Mays had the following children:

1) Margaret "Maggie" Mays, born in 1879,

2) Putt "Deet" Mays, born in 1881,

3) Izora Mays, born in 1884,

4) Thomas T. Mays, born in 1889,

5) Bessie L. Mays, born in 1894, and

6) Claude Mays, born in 1898.

v. Joseph Mays

Joseph Mays was a son of Wright Mays and Martha "Patsy" (Pegram) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], Wright[4])

In her letter dated May 20, 2000, Marilyn Barnhart enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Wright Mays which stated that:

"Births.
. . . .
5) Joseph Mays the sone of Wright Mays was bornd May the 24th in the year of our Lord 1839
. . . ."

In her letter dated May 20, 2000, Marilyn Barnhart enclosed family group sheets which stated that Joseph Mays was a son of Wright Mays and Martha "Patsy" (Pegram) Mays and was born on May 24, 1839, at Tennessee.

In his letter dated February 15, 2001, James Mays also enclosed family group sheets which stated that Joseph Mays was a son of Wright Mays and Martha (Pegram) Mays and was born on May 24, 1839.

vi. Judith C. Mays

Judith C. Mays was a daughter of Wright Mays and Patsy (Pegram) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], Wright[4])

In her letter dated May 20, 2000, Marilyn Barnhart enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Wright Mays which stated that:

"Births.
. . . .
Judith C. Mays the Daughter of Wright Mays was Bornd August 4th in the year of Our Lord 1843
. . . ."

1850 Census - Tennessee listed Judith Mays in the Wright Mays household and her age as 6, indicating a date of birth in about 1844.

In her letter dated May 20, 2000, Marilyn Barnhart enclosed family group sheets which stated that Judith C. Mays was a daughter of Wright Mays and Martha "Patsy" (Pegram) Mays and was born on August 4, 1843, at Tennessee.

In his letter dated February 15, 2001, James Mays also enclosed family group sheets which stated that Judith Mays was a daughter of Wright Mays and Martha (Pegram) Mays and was born on August 4, 1843.

vii. Sarah Ann Mays

Sarah Ann Mays was a daughter of Wright Mays and Rachel (Jones) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], Wright[4])

In her letter dated May 20, 2000, Marilyn Barnhart enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Wright Mays which stated that:

"Births.
. . . .
Sarah Ann Mays the Daughter of Wright Mays was bornd May th 15 in the year of our Lord AD 1850
. . . .

Sarah Ann Mays Daughter of Wright & Rachel Mays Departed this life on the 21st day of September in the year of our Lord A.D 1855"

1850 Census - Tennessee listed Sarah A. Mays in the Wright Mays household and her age as 1/12, indicating a date of birth in about 1850.

In her letter dated May 20, 2000, Marilyn Barnhart enclosed family group sheets which stated that Sarah Ann Mays was a daughter of Wright Mays and Martha "Patsy" (Pegram) Mays, was born on May 15, 1850, and died on September 21, 1855.

viii. Baoelusky Adelie Or Addie Rodusky or Roduskie Addie (Mays) McCrory And Her Husband John Franklin McCrory

Baoelusky Adelie or Addie Rodusky or Roduskie Addie (Mays) McCrory was a daughter of Wright Mays and Rachel (Jones) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], Wright[4])

In her letter dated May 20, 2000, Marilyn Barnhart enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Wright Mays which stated that:

". . . .
Baoelusky Adelie Mays was born in the year of our Lord 1861 June the 14th . . . ."

In her letter dated May 20, 2000, Marilyn Barnhart enclosed family group sheets which stated that Addie Rodusky or Roduskie Addie Mays was a daughter of Wright Mays and Rachel (Jones) Mays, was born on June 14, 1861, at Davidson County, Tennessee, married John Franklin McCrory, and died on May 6, 1937, at Fremont County, Colorado.

In his letter dated February 15, 2001, James Mays also enclosed family group sheets which stated that Adie Roduskie or Roduskie Addie Mays was a daughter of Wright Mays and Rachel (Jones) Mays, was born on April 15, 1861, married John Franklin McCrory in about 1875, and died on May 6, 1937, at Colorado.

ix. Mary Smith "Molly" (Mays) (Paceley) Ure And Her Husbands Sterling Paceley And J. W. Ure

Mary Smith "Molly" (Mays) (Paceley) Ure was a daughter of Wright Mays and Rachel (Jones) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], Wright[4])

In her letter dated May 20, 2000, Marilyn Barnhart enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Wright Mays which stated that:

". . . .
Mary Smith Mays was born in the year of our Lord 1864 December the 11th
. . . ."

In her letter dated May 20, 2000, Marilyn Barnhart enclosed family group sheets which stated that Mary Smith "Molly" Mays was a daughter of Wright Mays and Rachel (Jones) Mays, was born on December 11, 1864, married first Sterling Paceley on May 9, 1880, at Denison, Grayson County, Texas, and married second J. W. Ure on March 25, 1912, at Denison, Grayson County, Texas.

In his letter dated February 15, 2001, James Mays also enclosed family group sheets which stated that Mary Smith "Molly" Mays was a daughter of Wright Mays and Rachel (Jones) Mays, was born on December 11, 1864, married first Sterling Pacely on May 9, 1889, and married second J. W. Ure on March 26, 1912, at Texas.

x. Ida Or Ada Scott Mays

Ida or Ada Mays was a daughter of Wright Mays and Rachel (Jones) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], Wright[4])

In her letter dated May 20, 2000, Marilyn Barnhart enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Wright Mays which stated that:

". . . .
Ada Scott Mays was born July the 24th AD 1867
. . . ."

In her letter dated May 20, 2000, Marilyn Barnhart enclosed family group sheets which stated that Ida Mays was a daughter of Wright Mays and Rachel (Jones) Mays and was born on May 15, 1867.

In his letter dated February 15, 2001, James Mays also enclosed family group sheets which stated that Ida Scott Mays was a daughter of Wright Mays and Rachel (Jones) Mays and was born on July 24, 1867.

f. Joseph Mays, His Wives Eliza (Barham Or Barum) Mays, Virginia (McDonald) Mays, And Perninah Ussery (Pegram) Mays, And His Descendants

Joseph Mays was a son of Agness (Wright) Mays and Samuel Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3])

Marriages Of Davidson County, Tennessee 1789-1847 listed the issuance of a marriage bond for Joseph Mays and Eliza Barum on March 1, 1831, at Davidson County, Tennessee, with the solemnization on March 1, 1831, by Levin Edney, M.G.

On March 29, 1832, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. 15/25 Joseph Mays purchased 50 acres of land on Big Harpeth to John T. Scott.

On April 14, 1832, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. 15/26 Joseph Mays purchased 104 acres of land on Big Harpeth to John L. Scott.

The will of Samuel Mays dated October 10, 1837, and probated on September 29, 1838, at Davidson County, Tennessee, W.B. 11/398 listed Joseph Mays as one of his children:

"Samuel Mays decd. will - Recorded Sept. 29th 1838.

I Samuel Mays Senior of the County of Davidson and State of Tennessee do make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking and making void all former wills by me at any time heretofore.

. . . .

6. Sixth I give my son Joseph one hundred acres of land lying on the waters of brush creek begining on a white oake ____ S. M. worth one hundred dollars. . . .

11 Eleventh I will now state what given to my children previous to this will. . . .

I have given Joseph five hundred dollars. . . ."

On February 29, 1840, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. 5/146 Joseph Mays purchased a lot on Big Harpeth from Isaac Anderson.

1840 Census - Tennessee listed Joseph Mays in Davidson County, Tennessee, with the following household:

Males	Age	Females	Age
1	30-40	1	20-30
1	5-10	2	5-10
1	0-5	1	0-5

This record indicates that Joseph Mays was born between 1800 and 1810 and that Eliza (Barum) Mays were born between 1810 and 1820.

On August 6, 1849, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. 12/359 Joseph Mays purchased 10 acres of land in the 10th District from George P. Woodward.

1850 Census - Tennessee listed Wright Mays in Davidson County, Tennessee, with the following household:

Name	Age	Born
Joseph Mays	42	Tennessee
Eliza Mays	34	Tennessee
Elizabeth Mays	17	
William Mays	15	
Newsom Mays	13	
Martha Mays	11	
Samuel Mays	9	
Caroline Mays	7	
Frances Mays	5	
Robert Mays	1	

This record indicates that Joseph Mays was born in about 1808 at Tennessee and that Eliza (Barum) Mays was born in about 1816 at Tennessee.

On December 18, 1857, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. 28/227 Joseph Mays purchased a lot on Cherry Street to Reese W. Porter.

In his letter dated February 15, 2001, James Mays enclosed an excerpt from West Nashville: Its People And Environs by Sarah Foster Kelley, 1967, which stated that:

> "A family who lived downriver to the Linton plantation was that of the Reverend Samuel Mays. He and his wife, the former Agnes Wright, came to Davidson County around 1805 from Bedford County, Virginia. . . . . The Mays couple raised a large family who intermarried with many of the early households who settled

Middle Tennessee. Their children were:[244] . . . . Joseph Mays who married (1) Eliza Barham, (2) Virginia McDonald. (3) Perninah Ussery Pegram: . . . ."

In his letter dated February 15, 2001, James Mays also enclosed family group sheets which stated that Joseph Mays was a son of Agness (Wright) Mays and Samuel Mays, married first Eliza Barnham on March 1, 183, at Davidson County, Tennessee, married second Virginia McDonald on August 23, 1865, and married third Perninah Ussery Pegram on August 28, 1870, at Davidson County, Tennessee.

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below, the children of Joseph Mays and Eliza (Barum) Mays were the following:

1) Elizabeth Mays, born about 1833 probably at Davidson County, Tennessee,

2) William Mays, born about 1835 probably at Davidson County, Tennessee,

3) Newsom Mays, born about 1837 probably at Davidson County, Tennessee,

4) Martha Mays, born about 1839 probably at Davidson County, Tennessee,

5) Samuel Mays, born about 1841 probably at Davidson County, Tennessee,

6) Caroline Mays, born about 1843 probably at Davidson County, Tennessee,

7) Frances Mays, born about 1845 probably at Davidson County, Tennessee, and

8) Robert Mays, born about 1849 probably at Davidson County, Tennessee.

i. Elizabeth Mays

Elizabeth Mays was a daughter of Joseph Mays and Eliza (Barum) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], Joseph[4])

1850 Census - Tennessee listed Elizabeth Mays in the Joseph Mays household and her age as 17, indicating a date of birth in about 1833.

ii. William Mays

William Mays was a son of Joseph Mays and Eliza (Barum) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], Joseph[4])

1850 Census - Tennessee listed William Mays in the Joseph Mays household and his age as 15, indicating a date of birth in about 1835.

iii. Newsom Mays

Newsom Mays was a son of Joseph Mays and Eliza (Barum) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], Joseph[4])

1850 Census - Tennessee listed Newsom Mays in the Joseph Mays household and his age as 13, indicating a date of birth in about 1837.

iv. Martha Mays

Martha Mays was a daughter of Joseph Mays and Eliza (Barum) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], Joseph[4])

1850 Census - Tennessee listed Martha Mays in the Joseph Mays household and her age as 11, indicating a date of birth in about 1839.

v. Samuel Mays

Samuel Mays was a son of Joseph Mays and Eliza (Barum) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], Joseph[4])

1850 Census - Tennessee listed Samuel Mays in the Joseph Mays household and his age as 9, indicating a date of birth in about 1841.

vi. Caroline Mays

Caroline Mays was a daughter of Joseph Mays and Eliza (Barum) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], Joseph[4])

1850 Census - Tennessee listed Caroline Mays in the Joseph Mays household and her age as 7, indicating a date of birth in about 1843.

vii. Frances Mays

Frances Mays was a daughter of Joseph Mays and Eliza (Barum) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], Joseph[4])

1850 Census - Tennessee listed Frances Mays in the Joseph Mays household and her age as 5, indicating a date of birth in about 1845.

viii. Robert Mays

Robert Mays was a son of Joseph Mays and Eliza (Barum) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], Joseph[4])

1850 Census - Tennessee listed Robert Mays in the Joseph Mays household and his age as 1, indicating a date of birth in about 1849.

g. George Greer Mays, His Wife Lavinia (Davis) Mays, And His Descendants

George Greer Mays was a son of Agness (Wright) Mays and Samuel Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3])

On July 25, 1834, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. X/550 George G. Mays purchased 160 acres of land on the Harpeth River from Elias Dodson.

On April 17, 1837, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. 1/268 George Mays purchased land on the Harpeth River from John Harbison.

The will of Samuel Mays dated October 10, 1837, and probated on September 29, 1838, at Davidson County, Tennessee, W.B. 11/398 listed George Mays as one of his children:

"Samuel Mays decd. will - Recorded Sept. 29th 1838.

I Samuel Mays Senior of the County of Davidson and State of Tennessee do make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking and making void all former wills by me at any time heretofore.

. . . .

7th Sevonth I give my son George one negro man named Washington worth one thousand dollars. . . .

11 Eleventh I will now state what given to my children previous to this will. . . .

I have given George five hundred dollars. . . ."

1840 Census - Tennessee listed George G. Mays in Davidson County, Tennessee, with the following household:

Males	Age	Females	Age
1	20-30	1	20-30
1	5-10	1	0-5
2	0-5		

This record indicates that George G. Mays was born between 1810 and 1820.

On December 16, 1845, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. 9/146 George Mays sold 14 acres of land on the Harbeth River to Enoch Brown.

1850 Census - Tennessee listed George Mays in Davidson County, Tennessee, with the following household:

Name	Age	Born
George Mays	44	Tennessee
Lavinia Mays	36	Tennessee
Nancy Mays	14	
Alexander Mays	12	
James Mays	10	
Samuel Mays	8	
Agness Mays	4	
Sarah Mays	2	

This record indicates that George Mays was born in about 1806 at Tennessee and that Lavinia (____) Mays was born in about 1814 at Tennessee.

1860 Census - Tennessee listed George Mays in Davidson County, Tennessee, with the following household:

Name	Age
George Mays	50
Lavina Mays	46
Samuel Mays	18
Agnes Mays	16
Tennessee Mays	14
Sarah Mays	12
Thomas Mays	7
Daniel Mays	5
Mary Mays	3

This record indicates that George Mays was born in about 1810 and that Lavina (____) Mays was born in about 1814.

On March 6, 1866, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. 36/29 George G. Mays sold several tracts of land to Walter L. Smith.

In his letter dated February 15, 2001, James Mays enclosed an excerpt from West Nashville: Its People And Environs by Sarah Foster Kelley, 1967, which stated that:

> "A family who lived downriver to the Linton plantation was that of the Reverend Samuel Mays. He and his wife, the former Agnes Wright, came to Davidson County around 1805 from Bedford County, Virginia. . . . . The Mays couple raised a large family who intermarried with many of the early households who settled Middle Tennessee. Their children were:[244] . . . . George Greer Mays who married Lavinia Davis; . . . ."

In his letter dated February 15, 2001, James Mays also enclosed family group sheets which stated that George Greer Mays was a son of Agness (Wright) Mays and Samuel Mays and married Lavinia Davis on August 12, 1833, at Davidson County, Tennessee.

In his email dated January 30, 2001, Mark Mays enclosed family group sheets which stated that George Greer Mays was born about 1810 or on March 18, 1812, at Wiliamson County, Tennessee, married Lavenia Davis on August 12, 1833, at Williamson County, Tennessee, died on October 23, 1876, at Graves County, Kentucky, and was buried at Graves County, Kentucky, that Lavenia (Davis) Mays was born in 1814 at Williamson County, Tennessee, and died about 1880 at Graves County, Kentucky, and that George Greer Mays and Lavenia (Davis) Mays had the following children:

1) Nancy Jane (Mays) Allen, born in 1836 at Davidson County, Tennessee,
2) Alexander Mays, born in 1838 at Davidson County, Tennessee,
3) James Mays, born in 1840 at Davidson County, Tennessee,
4) Samuel Mays, born in 1842 at Davidson County, Tennessee,
5) Agnes Mays, born in 1844 at Davidson County, Tennessee,
6) Tennessee Mays, born in 1846 at Davidson County, Tennessee,
7) Sarah Mays, born in 1848 at Davidson County, Tennessee,
8) Thomas Jefferson Mays, born in 1853 at Davidson County, Tennessee,
9) Daniel C. Mays, born in January 1855 at Davidson County, Tennessee,

and

10) Mary Mays, born in 1857 at Davidson County, Tennessee.

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below, the children of George Greer Mays and Lavinia (Davis) Mays were the following:

1) Nancy Jane (Mays) Allen, born about 1836 probably at Davidson County, Tennessee,

2) Alexander Mays, born about 1838 probably at Davidson County, Tennessee,

3) James Mays, born about 1840 probably at Davidson County, Tennessee,

4) Samuel Mays, born about 1842 probably at Davidson County, Tennessee,

5) Agness Mays, born about 1844 or 1846 probably at Davidson County, Tennessee,

6) Tennessee Mays, born about 1846 probably at Davidson County, Tennessee,

7) Sarah Mays, born about 1848 probably at Davidson County, Tennessee,

8) Thomas Jefferson Mays, born about 1853 at Davidson County, Tennessee,

9) Daniel Mays, born in January 1855 probably at Davidson County, Tennessee, and

10) Mary Mays, born about 1857 probably at Davidson County, Tennessee.

i. Nancy Jane (Mays) Allen And Her Husband Joseph W. Allen

Nancy Jane (Mays) Allen was a daughter of George Greer Mays and Lavinia (____) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], George Greer[4])

1850 Census - Tennessee listed Nancy Mays in the George Mays household and her age as 14, indicating a date of birth in about 1836.

In his email dated January 30, 2001, Mark Mays enclosed family group sheets which stated that Nancy Jane Mays was a daughter of George Greer Mays and Lavenia (Davis) Mays, was born in 1836 at Davidson County, Tennessee, and married Joseph W. Allen.

ii. Alexander Mays

Alexander Mays was a son of George Greer Mays and Lavinia (____) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], George Greer[4])

1850 Census - Tennessee listed Alexander Mays in the George Mays household and his age as 12, indicating a date of birth in about 1838.

In his email dated January 30, 2001, Mark Mays enclosed family group sheets which stated that Alexander Mays was a son of George Greer Mays and Lavenia (Davis) Mays and was born in 1838 at Davidson County, Tennessee.

iii. James Mays

James Mays was a son of George Greer Mays and Lavinia (____) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], George Greer[4])

1850 Census - Tennessee listed James Mays in the George Mays household and his age as 10, indicating a date of birth in about 1840.

In his email dated January 30, 2001, Mark Mays enclosed family group sheets which stated that James Mays was a son of George Greer Mays and Lavenia (Davis) Mays and was born in 1840 at Davidson County, Tennessee.

iv. Samuel Mays

Samuel Mays was a son of George Greer Mays and Lavinia (____) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], George Greer[4])

1850 Census - Tennessee listed Samuel Mays in the George Mays household and his age as 8, indicating a date of birth in about 1842.

1860 Census - Tennessee listed Samuel Mays in the George Mays household and his age as 18, indicating a date of birth in about 1842.

In his email dated January 30, 2001, Mark Mays enclosed family group sheets which stated that Samuel Mays was a son of George Greer Mays and Lavenia (Davis) Mays and was born in 1842 at Davidson County, Tennessee.

v. Agness Mays

Agness Mays was a daughter of George Greer Mays and Lavinia (____) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], George Greer[4])

1850 Census - Tennessee listed Agness Mays in the George Mays household and her age as 4, indicating a date of birth in about 1846.

1860 Census - Tennessee listed Agness Mays in the George Mays household and her age as 16, indicating a date of birth in about 1844.

In his email dated January 30, 2001, Mark Mays enclosed family group sheets which stated that Agnes Mays was a daughter of George Greer Mays and Lavenia (Davis) Mays and was born in 1844.

vi. Tennessee Mays

Tennessee Mays was a daughter of George Greer Mays and Lavinia (____) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], George Greer[4])

1860 Census - Tennessee listed Tennesse Mays in the George Mays household and her age as 14, indicating a date of birth in about 1846.

In his email dated January 30, 2001, Mark Mays enclosed family group sheets which stated that Tennessee Mays was a daughter of George Greer Mays and Lavenia (Davis) Mays and was born in 1846 at Davidson County, Tennessee.

vii. Sarah Mays

Sarah Mays was a daughter of George Greer Mays and Lavinia (____) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], George Greer[4])

1850 Census - Tennessee listed Sarah Mays in the George Mays household and her age as 2, indicating a date of birth in about 1848.

1860 Census - Tennessee listed Sarah Mays in the George Mays household and her age as 12, indicating a date of birth in about 1848.

In his email dated January 30, 2001, Mark Mays enclosed family group sheets which stated that Sarah Mays was a daughter of George Greer Mays and Lavenia (Davis) Mays and was born in 1848 at Davidson County, Tennessee.

viii. Thomas Jefferson Mays, His Wife Francis Cornelia (Oliver) Mays, And His Descendants

Thomas Jefferson Mays was a son of George Greer Mays and Lavinia (____) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], George Greer[4])

1860 Census - Tennessee listed Thomas Mays in the George Mays household and his age as 7, indicating a date of birth in about 1853.

In his email dated January 30, 2001, Mark Mays enclosed family group sheets which stated that Thomas Jefferson Mays was a son of George Greer Mays and Lavenia (Davis) Mays, was born in 1853 at Davidson County, Tennessee, married Francis Cornelia Oliver on October 7, 1876, at Graves County, Kentucky, died on April 1, 1933, at Wingo, Kentucky, and was buried at Bradley Cemetery, Pryorsburg, Kentucky, that Francis Cornelia (Oliver) Mays was born on February 16, 1859, at Graves County, Kentucky, died on January 7, 1943, at Graves County, Kentucky, and was buried at Bradley Cemetery, Pryorsburg, Kentucky, and that Thomas Jefferson Mays and Francis Cornelia (Oliver) Mays had the following children:

1) George William Mays, born on June 17, 1877, at Graves County, Kentucky,

2) James Luby Mays, born on May 4, 1879, at Graves County, Kentucky,

3) Samuel Ennis Mays, born on January 5, 1881, at Graves County, Kentucky,

4) John Robert Mays, born on September 14, 1883, at Graves County, Kentucky,

5) Mann C. Mays, born in 1886 at Graves County, Kentucky,

6) Edna E. Mays,

7) Mary Elva Mays, and

8) Viva M. Mays, born in 1911 at Graves County, Kentucky.

ix. Daniel C. Mays

Daniel C. Mays was a son of George Greer Mays and Lavinia (____) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], George Greer[4])

1860 Census - Tennessee listed Daniel Mays in the George Mays household and his age as 5, indicating a date of birth in about 1855.

In his email dated January 30, 2001, Mark Mays enclosed family group sheets which stated that Daniel C. Mays was a son of George Greer Mays and Lavenia (Davis) Mays, was born in January 1855 at Davidson County, Tennessee, died on March 12, 1934, at Wingo, Kentucky, and was buried at Wingo City Cemetery, Wingo, Kentucky.

x. Mary Mays

Mary Mays was a daughter of George Greer Mays and Lavinia (____) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], George Greer[4])

1860 Census - Tennessee listed Mary Mays in the George Mays household and her age as 3, indicating a date of birth in about 1857.

In his email dated January 30, 2001, Mark Mays enclosed family group sheets which stated that Mary Mays was a daughter of George Greer Mays and Lavenia (Davis) Mays and was born in 1857 at Davidson County, Tennessee.

h. Samuel J. Mays, His Wife Armis Or Anice Or Annis (Linton) Mays, And His Descendants

Samuel J. Mays was a son of Agness (Wright) Mays and Samuel Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3])

The will of Samuel Mays dated October 10, 1837, and probated on September 29, 1838, at Davidson County, Tennessee, W.B. 11/398 listed Samuel J. Mays as one of his children:

"Samuel Mays decd. will - Recorded Sept. 29th 1838.

I Samuel Mays Senior of the County of Davidson and State of Tennessee do make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking and making void all former wills by me at any time heretofore.

. . . .

8. Eight - I give my son Samuel J a certain tract of land that I now live on begining thirty poles below William W. Marjhon__am & corner on the river runing west with the original line to a boulder and above, thence west four hundred forty five poles to a stake, thence south one hundred and fifty to a stake thonce East with E__s line, three hundred & eighty __oon to a white and poplar thence East running with the line stopping thirty poles west of the apple tree corner thence to

the begining, worth one thousand dollars; also one cupboard, also two looking glasses one clock and case, one bed and furniture one folding leaf table.
. . . .

14 I do hereby make ordain and appoint my son William W. Mays and son Samuel Mays Executors of this my last will and Testament. . . .

State of Tennessee Davidson County Court April term 1838. A paper writing purporting to be the last will & testament of Samuel Mays was producedin court for probate & proved thus; William Lewis and Starks B. Sears the subscribing witnesses thereto being first sworn depose & say that they became such in the presence of the said Samuel Mays and at his request & in the presence of each other and that they verily beleive he was of sound mind & disposing memory at the time of ____ same. Ordered that said paper writing be admitted to record as such will of the said Samuel Mays decd. Whereupon William W. Mays & Samuel Mays the executors named in said will came into court & gave bond in the sum of seven thousand dollars with Lewis Dunn their security & qualified according to law."

On August 10, 1838, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. 2/397 Samuel Mays purchased 40 acres of land on the Harpeth River from William W. Mays and others.

1840 Census - Tennessee listed Samuel Mays in Davidson County, Tennessee, with the following household:

Males	Age	Females	Age
1	20-30	1	20-30

This record indicates that Samuel Mays was born between 1810 and 1820.

1850 Census - Tennessee listed Samuel Mays in Davidson County, Tennessee, with the following household:

Name	Age	Born
Samuel Mays	35	Tennessee
Armis Mays	26	Tennessee
Silas Mays	6	
Margaret Mays	3	
Agness Mays	5/12	

This record indicates that Samuel Mays was born in about 1815 at Tennessee and that Armis (____) Mays was born in about 1824 at Tennessee.

1860 Census - Tennessee listed Samuel Mays in Davidson County, Tennessee, with the following household:

Name	Age
Samuel Mays	45
Anice Mays	36
Scilus Mays	16
Margaret Mays	14
Agnes Mays	11
Joel Mays	4
James Mays	3

This record indicates that Samuel Mays was born in about 1815 and that Anice (____) Mays was born in about 1824.

On January 10, 1866, at Davidson County, Tennessee, D.B. 37/27 Samuel Mays sold land in the 14th District to Thos. J. Allison.

In his letter dated February 15, 2001, James Mays enclosed an excerpt from West Nashville: Its People And Environs by Sarah Foster Kelley, 1967, which stated that:

> "A family who lived downriver to the Linton plantation was that of the Reverend Samuel Mays. He and his wife, the former Agnes Wright, came to Davidson County around 1805 from Bedford County, Virginia. . . . . The Mays couple raised a large family who intermarried with many of the early households who settled Middle Tennessee. Their children were:[244] . . . . and Samuel Mays, Junior who married Annis Linton. . . .
> The son of Samuel and Annis Linton Mays was an early resident of West Nashville. . . ."

In his letter dated February 15, 2001, James Mays also enclosed family group sheets which stated that Samuel Mays, Jr., was a son of Agness (Wright) Mays and Samuel Mays and married Annis Linton.

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below, the children of Samuel J. Mays and Armis or Anice (____) Mays were the following:

1) Silas Mays, born about 1844 probably at Davidson County, Tennessee,

2) Margaret Mays, born about 1846 or 1847 probably at Davidson County, Tennessee,

3) Agness Mays, born about 1849 or 1850 probably at Davidson County, Tennessee,

4) Joel Mays, born about 1856 probably at Davidson County, Tennessee, and

5) James Mays, born about 1857 probably at Davidson County, Tennessee.

i. Silas Mays

Silas Mays was a son of Samuel J. Mays and Armis or Anice or Annis (Linton) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], Samuel J.[4])

1850 Census - Tennessee listed Silas Mays in the Samuel Mays household and his age as 6, indicating a date of birth in about 1844.

1860 Census - Tennessee listed Scilus Mays in the Samuel Mays household and his age as 16, indicating a date of birth in about 1844.

ii. Margaret Mays

Margaret Mays was a daughter of Samuel J. Mays and Armis or Anice or Annis (Linton) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], Samuel J.[4])

1850 Census - Tennessee listed Margaret Mays in the Samuel Mays household and her age as 3, indicating a date of birth in about 1847.

1860 Census - Tennessee listed Margaret Mays in the Samuel Mays household and her age as 14, indicating a date of birth in about 1846.

iii. Agness Mays

Agness Mays was a daughter of Samuel J. Mays and Armis or Anice or Annis (Linton) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], Samuel J.[4])

1850 Census - Tennessee listed Agness Mays in the Samuel Mays household and her age as 5/12, indicating a date of birth in about 1850.

1860 Census - Tennessee listed Agness Mays in the Samuel Mays household and her age as 11, indicating a date of birth in about 1849.

iv. Joel Mays

Joel Mays was a son of Samuel J. Mays and Armis or Anice or Annis (Linton) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], Samuel J.[4])

1860 Census - Tennessee listed Joel Mays in the Samuel Mays household and his age as 4, indicating a date of birth in about 1856.

v. James Mays

James Mays was a son of Samuel J. Mays and Armis or Anice or Annis (Linton) Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3], Samuel J.[4])

1860 Census - Tennessee listed James Mays in the Samuel Mays household and his age as 3, indicating a date of birth in about 1857.

i. Agness (Mays) (Pegram) Kingston And Her Husbands William Pegram And Samuel Kingston

Agness (Mays) (Pegram) Kingston was a daughter of Agness (Wright) Mays and Samuel Mays. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Agness[3])

Marriages Of Davidson County, Tennessee 1789-1847 listed the issuance of a marriage bond for Agnis Mays and Wm. Pegram on January 19, 1831, at Davidson County, Tennessee.

The will of Samuel Mays dated October 10, 1837, and probated on September 29, 1838, at Davidson County, Tennessee, W.B. 11/398 listed Agness as one of his children:

"Samuel Mays decd. will - Recorded Sept. 29th 1838.

I Samuel Mays Senior of the County of Davidson and State of Tennessee do make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking and making void all former wills by me at any time heretofore.

. . . .

11 Eleventh I will now state what given to my children previous to this will. . . .

I have given Agness three hundred dollars. . . ."

In his letter dated February 15, 2001, James Mays enclosed an excerpt from West Nashville: Its People And Environs by Sarah Foster Kelley, 1967, which stated that:

> "A family who lived downriver to the Linton plantation was that of the Reverend Samuel Mays. He and his wife, the former Agnes Wright, came to Davidson County around 1805 from Bedford County, Virginia. . . . . The Mays couple raised a large family who intermarried with many of the early households who settled Middle Tennessee. Their children were:[244] . . . . Agnes Mays who married (1) William Pegram, (2) Samuel Kingston; . . . ."

In his letter dated February 15, 2001, James Mays also enclosed family group sheets which stated that AGness Mays was a son of Agness (Wright) Mays and Samuel Mays, married first William Pegram on January 19, 1831, at Davidson County, Tennessee, and married second Samuel Kingston.

7. Nancy (Wright) Meador, Her Husband John Or Jehu Meador, And Her Descendants

Nancy (Wright) Meador was a daughter of 1815 Joseph Wright of Bedford County, Virginia, and his second wife Judith (Pate) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2])

The marriage bond of Nancy Wright, daughter of Joseph, and John or Jehu Meador was dated on September 2, 1793, at Bedford County, Virginia, with John Pate as surety:

> "I do hereby Certify that John (Jehu?) Meador has My Consent to Obtain Marriage Licence between him self and my daughter Nancy Wright. Witness my hand this 2nd day of Septr. 1793
>
> Teste Joseph Wright
> Jno. Page)
> Jn Meador)
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> ---
>
> Know all Man by these Presents, that we John (Jehu?) Meador & John Pate are held and firmly bound unto Henry Lee, Esquire, Governor, or Chief Magistrate of the State of Virginia in the sum of Fifty Pounds, current Money, to which Payment well and truly to be made to the said Henry Lee, or to his Successors, we bind ourselves, and each of us, our, and each of our Heirs, Executors, and

Administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these Presents. Sealed with our Seals, and dated this 2d Day of Septr. 1793.

The Condition of the above Obligation is such, that whereas there is a Marriage shortly intended to be had and solemnized between the above bound John (Jehu?) Meador and Nancy Wright. Now if there shall be no lawful Cause to obstruct the said Marriage, then the above Obligation to be Void, else to remain in full Force and Virtue.

John (Jehu?) Meador
Jno Pate"

If they were both at least 16 years of age at the time of their marriage, their dates of birth would be probably before 1777.

On October 7, 1799, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 11/938 John Meador and Nancy Meador of Bedford County conveyed 163 acres on Fallen Creek and Beaver Dam Creek to 1803 John Wright:

"This Indenture made the 7th day of October One Thousand Seven Hundred & Ninety nine between Johne Meadow and Nancey Meadow his wife of the County of Bedford of the one part, and John Wright of the said County of the other part Witnesseth that the said Johne Meadow and Nancey Meadow his Wife for and in Consideration of the Sum of One hundred and Sixty three pounds current Money of Virginina have given granted bargained and sold unto the said John Wright and his heirs one cartain Tract or parcel of Land in the County of Bedford and on the branches of fallen Creek and Beverdam Creek and containing one Hundred and Sixty three Acres be the same more or less and adjoining the Lands of William Andersons Matthews Pate Samuel Olerphent Ebenezer Brown John Pane and the Corsses as followeth to wit Begening at Wevers corner Pine Thence off South twelve degrees East one hundred & Seventy two poles to a Pine North Eighty three degees West Fortey two poles to a white Oak North fifty degees West forty poles to a white Oak South Sixty four Degrees West twenty poles to a white Oak North Sixty two Degees West Thirty two poles to a pine North fifty two degrees West fortey four poles to a pine North five degrees west one Hundred and Thirtey four poles to a pine in Summons Line on the said Line North forty three degees East One hundred and Thirty six poles to his corner Pine off South Thirty six degrees fifty poles to a Pine in Wevers line thence along the said line South five degees East One Hundred poles to the first Station, Together with all its appurtenances To have and to hold the said Tract or parcel of Land with its appurtenances unto the said John Wright and his Heirs and the said Johne Meadow and his heirs the said Tract or parcel of Land with its appurtenances to the said John Wright and his Heirs will forever warrent and defend In Witness whereof the sad Johne Meadow and Nancey Meadow his wife

have hereunto subscribed ther names and affixed ther Seals the day and Year above Written.

Signed Sealed and delivered In presence of
Anthony Wright
his
James X Asbery
mark
his
William X Cauley
mark

John Meador
Nancy Meador

Merandum That on the day and year first within mencened quiet and peceble Prossesion and Siezen of the within mencened Land and primes with all its appurtenances was given and made by Johne Meadow and Nancey Meadow his Wife to John Wright acording to the effect of the within deed.

In presences of
Anthony Wright
his
James X Asbery
mark
his
William X Cawley
mark

John Meador
Nancy Meador

At a Court held for Bedford County at the Courthouse the 27th day of January 1800.

This Indenture of bargain & Sale between John Meador & Nancy his Wife of the one part & John Wright of the other was proved by the oath of Anthony Wright & James Asbury subscribing Witnesses. And at a Court held for said County at the Courthouse the 27th day of Febry. 1804. This Indenture was further proved by the Oath of Willm. Cauley another subscribing witness & ordered to be recorded.

Teste
J. Steptoe CBC"

On August 18, 1806, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 12/127 the relinquishment of dower of Nancy Meador with regard to the sale of 163 acres of land in Bedford County Deed 11/938 was filed:

"The Common Wealth of Virginia to John Walker and Samuel Allen, Gent Justices of the County of Breckenridge County and State of Kentucky greeting Whereas John Meador & Nancy his Wife by their certain Indenture of bargain & Sale bearing Date the 7 day of October 1799 have sold and conveyed unto John Wright the fee simple Estate of 163 acres of Land lying and being in the County of Bedford and Whereas the said Nancy cannot conveniently travel to Our Court of Our County of Bedford aforesaid. Therefore we give unto you or any two or more of you power to receive such Acknowledgment as the said Nancy shall be willing to make before you of the Conveyance aforesaid contained in the said Indenture which is hereunto Annexed, and we do require you that you do personally go to the said Nancy & examine her privily & part from the said John Meador her Husband whether she did willingly sign and Seal the said Indenture, and doth now Acknowledge the same, without the persuasions or threats of her said husband and whether she be willing it should be recorded in our Court of Our said County - And when you have received her Acknowledgment & examined her as aforesaid that you distinctly & Openly Certify us thereof in Our said Court, render your Seals, sending then there the said Indenture & this writ - Witness James Steptoe Clerk of our said Court the 2d day of October 1805.

In the 30th year of Our foundation

J. Steptoe

State of Kentucky Brackenridge County to wit

Agreeable to the Command of the within writs, We the Subscribers having privily examined the within named Nancy Meador apart from her said husband as the Law directs, she declared that she freely & voluntarily and without the threats or persuasions of her said husband Signed & Sealed the Indenture of bargain & Sale hereto annexed and consented that the same might be recorded in the County Court of Bedford County where the Land is - Given under Our hands & Seals as Justices of the County & State aforesaid this 18th day of August One Thousand eight hundred & six

John Walker
Saml. Allen

At a Court held for Bedford County at the Courthouse the 22d day of September 1806 This Commission was returned executed & ordered to be recorded

Teste
J. Steptoe CBC"

This record indicates that Nancy (Wright) Meador resided some time between October 2, 1805, and August 18, 1806, at Breckenridge County, Kentucky.

The will of 1815 Joseph Wright dated February 21, 1815, and probated on September 11, 1815, at Bedford County, Virginia, Superior Court Book A/15 listed Nancy McCormick as one of his children:

> ". . . . 2ndly I give and bequeath to my grand children Jane Meador, Jubal Meador, Joseph Meador, Judith Meador, & John Meador, children of my Daughter Nancy Meador, deceased one negro Girl named Juggy to be equally divided between them, with her future increase . . . ."

This record identifies Nancy (Wright) Meador's heirs as follows:

1) Jane Meador,
2) Jubal Meador,
3) Joseph Meador,
4) Judith Meador, and
5) John Meador.

The will of 1815 Joseph Wright devised land to the heirs of Nancy Meador, deceased, indicating her death sometime prior to the date of the will. The Division and Allotment of 1815 Joseph Wright's estate at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 4/255 assigned Lot number 3 in Bedford County consisting of 105 acres to Nancy Meador's heirs. The Division and Allotment of 1815 Joseph Wright's estate at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 4/262 assigned her heirs Lot number 7 in Franklin County consisting of 24 acres.

The marriage bond of Jane Meador and John Meador was dated on September 14, 1818, at Bedford County, Virginia, with the consent of John Turner and with Francis G. Harwood as surety. It is unclear from that entry alone whether it was the son John or the daughter Jane of John and Nancy Meador who was being married. It is also unclear whether the consent of John Turner was required for Jane or John or both. If the one for whom the consent was required were also the child of John and Nancy, it would indicate that John was also dead by September 14, 1818. The solution is found in two later powers of attorney.

On June 30, 1829, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 21/481 John H. Meador of Allen County, Kentucky, executed a Power of Attorney in favor of John Turner of Bedford County "to sell for him two tracts of land in Virginia, one in Bedford County and the other in Franklin County, in which he holds an undivided interest in right of his late grandfather Joseph Wright."

On November 19, 1827, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 21/481 John Meador and Jinny, his wife, Joseph Meador and Nancy, his wife, Jubal W. Meador, and Bennett Meador and Judith, his wife, of Sumner County, Tennessee, executed a Power of Attorney in favor of John Turner of Bedford County to sell two tracts of land in Virginia in the counties of Bedford and Franklin in which they each held an undivided interest.

These two powers of attorney not only trace the migration of this family and their marriages, but identify the daughter Jane as the person who married a second John Meador. Since John Turner gave his consent and later acted as their attorney in fact with regard to the sale of their inherited land, it suggests that the consent he gave in 1818 was for Jane to be married and that Jehu Meador was dead by that time along with his wife Nancy.

The Declaration of Littleberry Wright dated June 19, 1873, and recorded at Meade County, Kentucky, D.B. 9/139 identified Nancy Wright as a child of 1815 Joseph Wright:

> "Meade County State of Kentucky, United States of America the nineteenth day of June A.D. One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventh Three,
>
> I Little Berry Wright of the County State and Country aforesaid was born March the 25th twenty ____ day One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety One in the State of Virginia near Bedford or Franklin County. My father was named Joseph Wright Jr. of Bedford County Virginia. he was a Son of Joseph Wright Sr. of the County of Bedford and State aforesaid who was my grandfather.
> . . . .
>
> My Grand Father had five children by his first wife which was my Grand mother the names of which was Thomas, Mary, Milly, John and Joseph, The names of the children by his Second wife was named Aggie Nancy, Basheba, Judith, Martha, Mathew & Wright-Wright making twelve in all. . . ."

In his letter dated May 5, 1987, Mr. Victor P. Meador included family group sheets for Jehu Meador and Nancy (Wright) Meador and listed their children as follows:

1) Elizabeth Jane "Jenny" Meador, born 1796 at Virginia,

2) Jubal W. Meador, born late 1790's at Virginia,

3) Joseph Meador, born 1802 at Virginia,

4) Judith "Judah" Meador, born 1800 to 1805 at Virginia, and

5) John H. Meador, born 1800 to 1810 at Virginia.

Mr. Victor P. Meador stated that Jehu Meador may also have been known as Jehu John Meador and that there were two Jehu John Meadors in Bedford County, Virginia, at this time.

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below the children of Nancy (Wright) Meador and Jehu or John Meador were the following:

1) Elizabeth Jane "Jinny" (Meador) Meador, born probably after 1797 and before 1803 or in 1796,

2) Jubal W. Meador, born probably before 1807 and in late 1790's at Virginia,

3) Joseph Meador, born in 1802 at Virginia,

4) Judith "Judah" (Meador) Meador, born between 1800 and 1805 at Virginia, and

5) John H. Meador, born probably before 1809 and between 1800 and 1810 at Virginia.

a. <u>Elizabeth Jane "Jenny" (Meador) Meador And Her Husband John Meador</u>

Jane (Meador) Meador was a daughter of Nancy (Wright) Meador and Jehu Meador. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Nancy[3])

The will of 1815 Joseph Wright dated February 21, 1815, and probated on September 11, 1815 at Bedford County, Virginia, Superior Court Book A/15 listed Jane Meador as an heir of Nancy (Wright) Meador:

> ". . . . 2ndly I give and bequeath to my grand children Jane Meador, Jubal Meador, Joseph Meador, Judith Meador, & John Meador, children of my

Daughter Nancy Meador, deceased one negro Girl named Juggy to be equally divided between them, with her future increase . . . ."

On November 27, 1815, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 17/96 the court appointed John Turner as guardian for Jenny Meador and John Meador:

"The court doth appoint John Turner as guard: to John Meador & Jenny Meador being of full age for the purpose made choice of the sd. John Turner as her guard. who gave bond & Secy accrdg to Law"

The marriage bond of Jane Meador and John Meador was dated on September 14, 1818, at Bedford County, Virginia, with the consent of John Turner and with Francis G. Harwood as surety. If Jane Meador was at least sixteen years of age at the time of her marriage, her date of birth would be probably before 1803. The consent of her guardian John Turner to the marriage suggests that she was under the age of 21, indicating a birth date after 1797.

On December 29, 1823, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Peter Dent filed an affidavit that Jane Meador was not then a resident of Virginia:

"Bedford county Sct

Peter Dent of Lawful age this day appeared personally before me A Otey a justice of the peace for said County and made oath that he is informed & verily believes that Jane Meador, Jubal Meador, Joseph Meador & Judith Meador: Samuel Mays and Agnes his wife, Martin Greer & Mary his Wife and Joel Simmonds and Barsheba his wife are not inhabitants of the commonwealth of Virginia Given from under my hand at Liberty in sd county the 29th Day of Decr 1823

A. Otey JP"

On November 19, 1827, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 21/481, John Meador and his wife Jinny Meador of Sumner County, Tennessee, executed a Power of Attorney in favor of John Turner to sell the land inherited by them from 1815 Joseph Wright:

"Know all men by these presents, that whereas we John Meador & Ginney Meador the wife of John Meador, & Joseph Meador & Nancy the wife of Joseph, & Jubal Meador & Bennett Meador & Judith the wife of Bennett all of the County

of Sumner and state of Tennessee are ceized in fee of and in all that. Now know ye that we the said undersigners have made, constituted and empowered, and by these do make, constitute and appoint John Turner of the County of Bedford and state of Virginy hour true & lawful attorney for us & in hour names, to sell and make right to two tracts of lands, one lying and being in the County of Bedford and state of Virginny on Stanton river, no. of acres more or less, and the other tract of land lying and being in the County of Franklin & state afforsd no. of acres more or less, as he shall think fit to convey absolutely in fee simple for such price or sum of money, and to such person or persons, as he shall think fit or convenient, and also for us and in hour name to sign, seal and execute, & deliver such dead. In witness whereof we hearunto set our hands and seals the 19th November 1827.

Jonathan Davis
Samuel Davis JP

John Meador
Joseph Meador
Bennett his X mark Meador
Jinney her X mark Meador
Nancy Meador
Judith her X mark Meador
Jubal W. Meador

State of Tennessee, Sumner County. This day came before us Johnathan Davis & Samuel Davis, acting Justices of the Peace for said County the within assignors and acknd the power of attorney in our presence, which we Certify under our hands & seals this 19th day of November 1827.

Johnathan Davis
Samuel Davis J.P

State of Tennessee, Sumner County. I Alfred H. Douglass Clerk of the Court of plea and Quarter Sessions for said County of Sumner do hereby certify that Johnathan Davis and Samuel Davis esquires, before whom the within power of attorney appears to have been acknowledged and whose signatures appear to the above certificate, are acting Justices of the peace in and for said County, duly commissioned and qualified, and that full faith & credit is due their official acts as such. In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix the seal of

said Court at Office this 26th day of November Anno Domini 1827 & 52nd year of American Independence.

A. H. Douglass Clk.

State of Tennessee, Sumner County. I Thomas Anderson presiding Justice of the Court of Plea and Quarter Sessions of Sumner County aforesaid do hereby Certify that Alfred H. Douglass whose signature appears to the foregoing Certificate is Clerk of said Court, and that his Certificate and attestation is in due form of law. Given under my hand & seal the 26th day of November A.D. 1827.

Thomas Anderson J.P.S.C.

At a Court held for Bedford County at the Courthouse the 26th day of October 1829. This power of attorney was certified from the County of Sumner state of Tennessee and ordered to be recorded.

Teste
Ro C. Mitchell C.B.C"

In his letter dated May 5, 1987, Mr. Victor P. Meador stated that Jane (Meador) Meador's full name was Elizabeth Jane "Jenny" Meador and she was born in 1796 at Virginia.

b. Jubal W. Meador

Jubal W. Meador was a son of Nancy (Wright) Meador and Jehu Meador. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Nancy[3])

The will of 1815 Joseph Wright dated February 21, 1815, and probated on September 11, 1815, at Bedford County, Virginia, Superior Court Book A/15 listed Jubal W. Meador as an heir of Nancy (Wright) Meador:

". . . . 2ndly I give and bequeath to my grand children Jane Meador, Jubal Meador, Joseph Meador, Judith Meador, & John Meador, children of my Daughter Nancy Meador, deceased one negro Girl named Juggy to be equally divided between them, with her future increase . . . ."

On December 29, 1823, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Peter Dent filed an affidavit that Jubal Meador was not then a resident of Virginia:

"Bedford county Sct

Peter Dent of Lawful age this day appeared personally before me A Otey a justice of the peace for said County and made oath that he is informed & verily believes that Jane Meador, Jubal Meador, Joseph Meador & Judith Meador: Samuel Mays and Agnes his wife, Martin Greer & Mary his Wife and Joel Simmonds and Barsheba his wife are not inhabitants of the commonwealth of Virginia Given from under my hand at Liberty in sd county the 29th Day of Decr 1823

A. Otey JP"

On November 19, 1827, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 21/481 Jubal W. Meador executed a Power of Attorney in favor of John Turner to sell the land inherited by him from 1815 Joseph Wright:

"Know all men by these presents, that whereas we John Meador & Ginney Meador the wife of John Meador, & Joseph Meador & Nancy the wife of Joseph, & Jubal Meador & Bennett Meador & Judith the wife of Bennett all of the County of Sumner and state of Tennessee are ceized in fee of and in all that. Now know ye that we the said undersigners have made, constituted and empowered, and by these do make, constitute and appoint John Turner of the County of Bedford and state of Virginy hour true & lawful attorney for us & in hour names, to sell and make right to two tracts of lands, one lying and being in the County of Bedford and state of Virginny on Stanton river, no. of acres more or less, and the other tract of land lying and being in the County of Franklin & state afforsd no. of acres more or less, as he shall think fit to convey absolutely in fee simple for such price or sum of money, and to such person or persons, as he shall think fit or convenient, and also for us and in hour name to sign, seal and execute, & deliver such dead. In witness whereof we hearunto set our hands and seals the 19th November 1827.

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her
Judith X Meador
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Jubal W. Meador

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Johnathan Davis
Samuel Davis J.P

State of Tennessee, Sumner County. I Alfred H. Douglass Clerk of the Court of plea and Quarter Sessions for said County of Sumner do hereby certify that Johnathan Davis and Samuel Davis esquires, before whom the within power of attorney appears to have been acknowledged and whose signatures appear to the above certificate, are acting Justices of the peace in and for said County, duly commissioned and qualified, and that full faith & credit is due their official acts as such. In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix the seal of said Court at Office this 26th day of November Anno Domini 1827 & 52nd year of American Independence.

A. H. Douglass Clk.

State of Tennessee, Sumner County. I Thomas Anderson presiding Justice of the Court of Plea and Quarter Sessions of Sumner County aforesaid do hereby Certify that Alfred H. Douglass whose signature appears to the foregoing Certificate is Clerk of said Court, and that his Certificate and attestation is in due form of law. Given under my hand & seal the 26th day of November A.D. 1827.

Thomas Anderson J.P.S.C.

At a Court held for Bedford County at the Courthouse the 26th day of October 1829. This power of attorney was certified from the County of Sumner state of Tennessee and ordered to be recorded.

Teste
Ro C. Mitchell C.B.C"

If Jubal W. Meador was at least 21 years of age when he executed that power of attorney, then his date of birth would be probably before 1807.

In his letter dated May 5, 1987, Mr. Victor P. Meador stated that Jubal W. Meador was born in the late 1790's.

c. Joseph Meador And His Wife Nancy Jane (Rhoads) Meador

Joseph Meador was a son of Nancy (Wright) Meador and Jehu Meador. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Nancy[3])

The will of 1815 Joseph Wright dated February 21, 1815, and probated on September 11, 1815, at Bedford County, Virginia, Superior Court Book A/15 listed Joseph Meador as an heir of Nancy (Wright) Meador:

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> A. Otey JP"

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> "Know all men by these presents, that whereas we John Meador & Ginney Meador the wife of John Meador, & Joseph Meador & Nancy the wife of Joseph, & Jubal Meador & Bennett Meador & Judith the wife of Bennett all of the County of Sumner and state of Tennessee are ceized in fee of and in all that. Now know ye that we the said undersigners have made, constituted and empowered, and by these do make, constitute and appoint John Turner of the County of Bedford and state of Virginy hour true & lawful attorney for us & in hour names, to sell and make right to two tracts of lands, one lying and being in the County of

Bedford and state of Virginny on Stanton river, no. of acres more or less, and the other tract of land lying and being in the County of Franklin & state afforsd no. of acres more or less, as he shall think fit to convey absolutely in fee simple for such price or sum of money, and to such person or persons, as he shall think fit or convenient, and also for us and in hour name to sign, seal and execute, & deliver such dead. In witness whereof we hearunto set our hands and seals the 19th November 1827.

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Teste
Ro C. Mitchell C.B.C"

If Joseph Meador was at least 21 years of age at the time that he executed that power of attorney, then his birth date would be probably before 1807.

In his letter dated May 5, 1987, Mr. Victor P. Meador stated that Joseph Meador was born in 1802 at Virginia, married Nancy Jane Rhoads in 1828 at Smith County, Tennessee, and resided in 1850 at Smith County, Tennessee.

d. Judith "Judah" (Meador) Meador, Her Husband Bennett H. Meador, And Her Descendants

Judith "Judah" (Meador) Meador was a daughter of Nancy (Wright) Meador and Jehu Meador. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Nancy[3])

The will of 1815 Joseph Wright dated February 21, 1815, and probated on September 11, 1815, at Bedford County, Virginia, Superior Court Book A/15 listed Judith Meador as an heir of Nancy (Wright) Meador:

". . . . 2ndly I give and bequeath to my grand children Jane Meador, Jubal Meador, Joseph Meador, Judith Meador, & John Meador, children of my Daughter Nancy Meador, deceased one negro Girl named Juggy to be equally divided between them, with her future increase . . . ."

On November 27, 1815, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 17/96 Matthew Wright was appointed guardian of Judah Meador:

"The court doth appoint Matthew Wright guard: of Judah Meador who gave bond & Secy accg to Law"

On December 29, 1823, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Peter Dent filed an affidavit that Judith Meador was not then a resident of Virginia:

"Bedford county Sct

Peter Dent of Lawful age this day appeared personally before me A Otey a justice of the peace for said County and made oath that he is informed & verily believes that Jane Meador, Jubal Meador, Joseph Meador & Judith Meador: Samuel Mays and Agnes his wife, Martin Greer & Mary his Wife and Joel Simmonds and Barsheba his wife are not inhabitants of the commonwealth of Virginia Given from under my hand at Liberty in sd county the 29th Day of Decr 1823

A. Otey JP"

On November 19, 1827, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 21/481 Judith Meador and her husband Bennett H. Meador executed a Power of Attorney in favor of John Turner to sell the land inherited by her from 1815 Joseph Wright:

"Know all men by these presents, that whereas we John Meador & Ginney Meador the wife of John Meador, & Joseph Meador & Nancy the wife of Joseph, & Jubal Meador & Bennett Meador & Judith the wife of Bennett all of the County of Sumner and state of Tennessee are ceized in fee of and in all that. Now know ye that we the said undersigners have made, constituted and empowered, and by these do make, constitute and appoint John Turner of the County of Bedford and state of Virginy hour true & lawful attorney for us & in hour names, to sell and make right to two tracts of lands, one lying and being in the County of Bedford and state of Virginny on Stanton river, no. of acres more or less, and the other tract of land lying and being in the County of Franklin & state afforsd no. of acres more or less, as he shall think fit to convey absolutely in fee simple for such price or sum of money, and to such person or persons, as he shall think fit or convenient, and also for us and in hour name to sign, seal and execute, & deliver such dead. In witness whereof we hearunto set our hands and seals the 19th November 1827.

Jonathan Davis
Samuel Davis JP

John Meador
Joseph Meador
Bennett his X mark Meador
Jinney her X mark Meador
Nancy Meador

her
Judith X Meador
mark
Jubal W. Meador

State of Tennessee, Sumner County. This day came before us Johnathan Davis & Samuel Davis, acting Justices of the Peace for said County the within assignors and acknd the power of attorney in our presence, which we Certify under our hands & seals this 19th day of November 1827.

Johnathan Davis
Samuel Davis J.P

State of Tennessee, Sumner County. I Alfred H. Douglass Clerk of the Court of plea and Quarter Sessions for said County of Sumner do hereby certify that Johnathan Davis and Samuel Davis esquires, before whom the within power of attorney appears to have been acknowledged and whose signatures appear to the above certificate, are acting Justices of the peace in and for said County, duly commissioned and qualified, and that full faith & credit is due their official acts as such. In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix the seal of said Court at Office this 26th day of November Anno Domini 1827 & 52nd year of American Independence.

A. H. Douglass Clk.

State of Tennessee, Sumner County. I Thomas Anderson presiding Justice of the Court of Plea and Quarter Sessions of Sumner County aforesaid do hereby Certify that Alfred H. Douglass whose signature appears to the foregoing Certificate is Clerk of said Court, and that his Certificate and attestation is in due form of law. Given under my hand & seal the 26th day of November A.D. 1827.

Thomas Anderson J.P.S.C.

At a Court held for Bedford County at the Courthouse the 26th day of October 1829. This power of attorney was certified from the County of Sumner state of Tennessee and ordered to be recorded.

Teste
Ro C. Mitchell C.B.C"

If Judith was at least 16 years of age at the time she married Bennett H. Meador, then her date of birth would be probably before 1812.

In his letters dated March 23, 1987, and May 5, 1987, Mr. Victor P. Meador, included family group sheets which stated that Judith Meador was born between 1800 and 1810 at Virginia, married Bennett H. Meador on December 3, 1821, at Summer County, Tennessee, and was buried in the Meador Cemetery at Vernon, Illinios, that Bennett H. Meador was born in 1795 at Franklin County, Virginia, moved about 1809 with his father Joel Meador, Jr., to Smith County, Tennessee, enlisted in the 2nd Regiment of West Tennessee Militia on September 20, 1814, in the War of 1812 and deserted one week later on September 27, 1814, resided in 1840 in Smith County, Tennessee, resided before 1850 in Marion County, Illinois, died between 1850 and 1860 in Illinois, and was buried at the Meador Cemetery in Vernon, Illinois, and that Judith (Meador) Meador and Bennett H. Meador had the following children:

1) John Meador, born in 1833 in Tennessee,

2) Joel Jesse Meador, born May 2, 1836, in Tennessee,

3) Mary Jane Meador, born in 1840 in Tennessee, and

4) Sarah E. Jeador, born September 22, 1842.

Based on the 1840 Census for Smith County, Tennessee, Bennett Meador may also have had a daughter born between 1810 and 1820, a son born between 1820 and 1825, and a son born between 1825 and 1830.

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below the children of Judith "Judah" (Meador) Meador and Bennett H. Meador were the following:

1) Possibly ____ Meador, a daughter, born between 1810 and 1820 probably at Tennessee,

2) Possibly ____ Meador, a son, born between 1820 and 1825 probably at Tennessee,

3) Possibly ____ Meador, a son, born between 1825 and 1830 probably at Tennessee,

4) John Meador, born in 1833 at Tennessee,

5) Joel Jessee Meador, born on May 2, 1836, at Tennessee,

6) Mary Jane (Meador) Preston, born in 1840 at Tennessee, and

7) Sarah E. (Meador) (Taylor) Jones, born on September 22, 1842.

i. _____Meador

_____ Meador was possibly a daughter of Judith "Judah" (Meador) Meador and Bennett H. Meador. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Nancy[3], Judith[4])

In his letter dated May 5, 1987, Mr. Victor P. Meador enclosed family group sheets which stated that Judith "Judah" (Meador) Meador and Bennett H. Meador may have had a daughter born between 1810 and 1820 probably at Tennessee, based on the 1840 Census for Smith County, Tennessee.

ii. _____Meador

_____ Meador was possibly a son of Judith "Judah" (Meador) Meador and Bennett H. Meador. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Nancy[3], Judith[4])

In his letter dated May 5, 1987, Mr. Victor P. Meador enclosed family group sheets which stated that Judith "Judah" (Meador) Meador and Bennett H. Meador may have had a son born between 1820 and 1825 probably at Tennessee, based on the 1840 Census for Smith County, Tennessee.

iii. _____Meador

_____ Meador was possibly a son of Judith "Judah" (Meador) Meador and Bennett H. Meador. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Nancy[3], Judith[4])

In his letter dated May 5, 1987, Mr. Victor P. Meador enclosed family group sheets which stated that Judith "Judah" (Meador) Meador and Bennett H. Meador may have had a son born between 1825 and 1830 probably at Tennessee, based on the 1840 Census for Smith County, Tennessee.

iv. John Meador

John Meador was a son of Judith "Judah" (Meador) Meador and Bennett H. Meador. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Nancy[3], Judith[4])

In his letter dated May 5, 1987, Mr. Victor P. Meador enclosed family group sheets which stated that John Meador was a son of Judith "Judah" (Meador) Meador and Bennett H. Meador and was born in 1833 at Tennessee.

v. Joel Jesse Meador And His Wives Nancy (Holt) Meador And Mary Artilla Merritt (Teal) Meador

Joel Jesse Meador was a son of Judith "Judah" (Meador) Meador and Bennett H. Meador. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Nancy[3], Judith[4])

In his letter dated May 5, 1987, Mr. Victor P. Meador enclosed family group sheets which stated that Joel Jesse Meador was a son of Judith "Judah" (Meador) Meador and Bennett H. Meador, was born on May 2, 1836, at Tennessee, married first Nancy Holt, married second Mary Artilla Merritt Teal, and died on July 24, 1912, at Illinois, that Nancy (Holt) Meador was born in 1836 at Illinois and died in 1871 at Illinois, and that Mary Artilla Merritt (Teal) Meador was on February 24, 1845, at North Carolina, and died on October 3, 1923, at Illinois.

vi. Mary Jane (Meador) Preston And Her Husband ____ Preston

Mary Jane (Meador) Preston was a daughter of Judith "Judah" (Meador) Meador and Bennett H. Meador. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Nancy[3], Judith[4])

In his letter dated May 5, 1987, Mr. Victor P. Meador enclosed family group sheets which stated that Mary Jane (Meador) Preston was a daughter of Judith "Judah" (Meador) Meador and Bennett H. Meador, was born in 1840 at Tennessee, married ____ Preston, and resided in Louisville, Kentucky.

vii. Sarah E. (Meador) (Taylor) Jones And Her Husbands Canady B. Taylor And Eli W. Jones

Sarah E. (Meador) (Taylor) Jones was a daughter of Judith "Judah" (Meador) Meador and Bennett H. Meador. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Nancy[3], Judith[4])

On January 27, 1864, in Civil War Pension File WC 761-244 for Eli W. Jones, Sarah E. Taylor filed an application for a widow's pension in right of the service of her deceased husband Canady B. Taylor:

"State of Missouri)
County of Lawrence) ss

On this 27th day of January AD 1864 personally appeared before me George W. Rinker Clerk of the County County within and for said State and county aforesaid Sarah E. Taylor a resident of Lawrence County and State of Missouri aged twenty two years, who, being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress approved July 14th 1862: That she is the widow of Canady B. Taylor who was a private in Company L. commanded by Robert V. Keller Captain, in the 8th Regiment of Missouri Cavalry Volunteers in the war of 1861, who died on the 12th day of December AD 1863. at Mount Vernon Lawrence County Missouri of disease contracted while in the service of the United States and in the line of his duty. She further declares that she was married to the Said Canady B. Taylor on the 27th day of June AD 1858, that her husband, the aforesaid Canady B. Taylor died on the day above mentioned and that she has remained a widow ever since that period as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereto annexed. She also declares that she has not in any manner been engaged in, or aided or abetted the rebellion in the United States.

Sarah E. her X mark Taylor

Sworn to and Subscribed before me, and on the same day as above written, personally appeared Aphrey Epperson and Sarah Meador residents of the County of Lawrence and State of Missouri, person whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being by me duly sworn, say that they were present and saw Sarah E. Taylor make her mark to the foregoing declaration; and they further swear that they have every reason to believe, from the appearance of the applicant and their acquaintance with her, that she is the identical person she represents herself to be, and that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

Attest
Geo. W. Rinker
J. B. Browning

Aphrey Efferson
Sarah her X mark Meador

State of Missouri)
County of Lawrence) ss

I George W. Rinker clerk of the county court of said county, do hereby certify that the foregoing declaration and affidavit were sworn to and subscribed before me, by both applicant and witnesses, on the date above written, and that the claimant is the person she represents herself to be, and that I have no interest in this claim.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said court at office this 27th day of January AD 1864.

George W. Rinker Clerk"

On January 22, 1867, Joel Hires and Elizabeth F. Elleff filed a declaration in Civil War Pension File WC 761-244 in support of Sarah E. (Meador) Taylor's application:

State of Missouri)
County of Mc Donald)

On this 22nd day of January AD 1867 before me A W Chemweth clerk of the Circuit Court within and for the County and state afore said personally appeared Joel Hires and Elizabeth Y Elleff, of the County and state aforesaid to me well Known to be Credible Witnesses and who being by me duly sworn according to law depose and say that they are personally well acquainted with Sarah E Taylor formerly of the County and state aforesaid but now a resident (as they are informed and truly believe) of the County of Marion and State of Illinois. That they were also acquainted with her husband Canada B Taylor (now deceased) who was a private in Company "L" of the Eighth Regiment of Missouri Volunteer Cavalry. That said Sarah E Taylor and Canada B Taylor were married on the 27th day of June AD 1858 in the County of McDonald in the State of Missouri. That the name of Said Sarah E Taylor at the time and before she married as aforesaid was Sarah E Meador These affiants further say that they derive their Knowledge of the above facts from having been present at the Marriage of Said Canada B Taylor and Said Sarah E Taylor and These affiants further state that they have no interest whatever in any Claim against the Goverment that Said Sarah E Taylor has by reason of the service and death of said Canada B Taylor dec

Joel Hires
Elisabeth F Eliff

State of Missouri)
County of McDonald)

I AW Chenowath clerk of the Circuit Court within and for the County and state aforesaid do hereby certify that the foregoing affidavit was this day subscribed and sworn to before me by the said Joel Hires and Elizabeth F Eliff and I further Certify that said Witnesses are credible persons and further that I have no interest whatever direct or indirect in any claim against the Goverment that said Sarah E Taylor may have by reason of the services and death of said Canada B Taylor decd and further that said witnesses fully understood the contents and meaning of said affidavit before signing the same.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal this 22nd day of January AD 1867.

A W Chenoweth
Clerk Cirt Court
McDonald Co Mo"

The marriage record of Sarah E. Taylor and Eli W. Jones was dated on April 16, 1868, at Marion County, Illinois. A copy was included in Civil War Pension File WC 761-244 for Eli W. Jones.

On September 30, 1872, Sarah E. (Meador) (Taylor) Jones filed a declaration regarding her marriage and new name:

"State of Illinois)
Marion County)

On this 30th day of September 1872 before me J B Betts a Justice of the Peace of said County personally appeared Sarah E Jones formerly Sarah E Taylor widow of Canada B Taylor deceased to me well Known to be a credible person and who being by me duly sworn deposes and says that she is the identical Sarah E Jones formerly widow of Canada B Taylor deceased who was a private in Co L 8th Mo. Cavalry. That she is an applicant for Widows Pension No. 50118 as widow of said Soldier. That she has now no recollection as to how she signed her original application but if she signed it by mark, it is because she could not at that time write very well not being in the habit of writing, but since then she has done her own writing and has genirally signed her own name

wherever it became necessary The Post Office address is Lester Marion County Illinois

Sarah E Jones
former Sarah E. Taylor widow of Canada B Taylor decd late private Company L 8th Missouri Cavaly Vol

Subscribed and sworn to before me and I further certify the Said Sarah E Jones is personally Known to me to be a credible person - that she fully understood the contents and meaning of the foregoing affidavit by her signed before signing the same and I further Certify that I have no interest whatever in her Said Claim for Widows Pension

J B Betts J.P."

On July 30, 189_, Eli W. Jones filed a declaration in Civil War Pension File WC 761-244 for a disability pension:

"Declaration For Invalid Pension Act of June 27, 1890.
State of Illinois, County of Marion, ss:

On this 30 day of July, A.D. one thousand eight hundred and ninty ____ personally appeared before me, a Notary Public within and for the County and State aforesaid, Eli. W. Jones, aged 51 years, a resident of the Town of Foster County of Marion, State of Illinois, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is the identical Eli. W. Jones who was enrolled on the 11 day of August, 1862, in Company D, 111 Regt Illinois Inft. Vols. in the Military service of the united States, in the war of the rebellion, and served at least ninety days, and was honorably discharged at Washington City, on the Sixth day of June, 1865. That he is wholy unable to earn a support by reason of Dyspepsia and Chronic Gastritis Caused by Diet in the service also Rheumatism of the right shoulder and arm knee and ancle of the right side, also disease of Both Eyes. That said disabilities are not due to his vicious habits, and are to the best of his knowledge and belief permanent. That he has not applied for pension under any act. That he makes this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the pension roll of the United States under the provisions of the Act of June 27, 1890. He here by appoints John W. Johnson of Patoka Illinois his true and lawful attorney to prosecute his claim and hereby agree to allow my said attorney a fee of $10. That his post office address is Patoka County of Marion State of Illinois

Thomas P. Foster
John B. Shandler"

Eli W. Jones

On August 3, 1894, Eli W. Jones filed an affidavit for a pension in Civil War Pension File WC 761-244:

"General Affidavit by Claimant
State of Illinois, County of Marion, ss:

In the matter of Orig. Invalid pension Claim No. 935,274 of Eli W. Jones, late private Company D, 111 Regiment, Illinois Inft Vols,

On this 3d day of August A.D. 1894, personally appeared before me a Notary Public in and for the aforesaid County duly authorized to administer oaths Eli W. Jones aged 54 years, a resident of Foster Township, in the County of Marion and State of Illinois, whose Post Office address is Patoka, Marion County Illinois, well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declared in relation to aforesaid case as follows: on or about the month of July 1863 at Paducah Ky, contracted stomach trouble, called dispepsa while in line of Duty as a soulder. Caused by Diet not agreeing with me & had Gastritis as the Doctors call it, about the same time, and Both Eyes became afflicted during the summer season of 1864, while at and around and about atlanta Georgia, think caused by exposure, incident to army life, and not by improper Conduct, and Contracted Rheumatism, During the month of November 1864, while on the march from atlanta to savannah Georgia, caused by hard ship and Exposure, incident to army life while in line of Duty as a soulder in above named service, cannot give exact date of incurence of injury to left leg not keeping any reccord, but, when I was between the age 5 and 10 years of age, while at home with my father in marion county Illinois I was carying a choping ax on my shoulder and accidently droped the ax fell back and struck my left heal and cut the main leader Just above the heal and of late years it has became very weak and painful and renders me unable to perform manuel labor for support. the above was written by J W. Johnson Esq. at his office in Patoka Illinois in my presence and this above date in my own wording and my own dictation and personal knolege and not taken from any other written or exhibited instrument and not caused by vitious habbit

Eli W. Jones."

On July 7, 1898, Eli W. Jones filed further answers in support of his pension claim:

"Department of the Interior,
Bureau of Pensions,
Washington, D.C., July 7, 1898

Sir:

Will you kindly answer, at your earliest convenience, the questions enumerated below? The information is requested for future use, and it may be of great value to your family.

Very respectfully,
H Chief Grant (?), Commissioner

Mr. Eli W. Jones
Patoka
Ill.

No. 1. Are you a married man? If so, please state your wife's full name, and her maiden name. Answer: Sarah E Jones. Mrs Sarah E Taylor nee Sarah Meador

No. 2. When, where, and by whom were you married? Answer: Apr 16 1868 Marion Co Illinois A H Foster J.P.

No. 3. What record of marriage exists? Answer: Record in County Clerks office Salem Ill

No. 4. Were you previously married? If so, please state the name of your former wife and the date and place of her death or divorce. Answer: Harriet Whiteside died January 8 1865 Kimmundy Ill

No. 5. Have you any children living? If so, please state their names and the dates of their birth. Answer: no

Date of reply, July 29, 1898

Eli W Jones"

On September 1, 1908, Eli W. Jones filed a further application in Civil War Pension File WC 761-244 for an invalid pension:

"Declaration For Original Invalid Pension

State of Illinois)
County of Marion) ss:

On this 1st day of Sept, A.D. one thousand nine hundred and Eight, personally appeared before me, a Notary Public within and for the county and State aforesaid, Eli W. Jones, aged 69 years, a resident of Vernon, county of Marion State of Illinois, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is the identical person who was enrolled at Fostersburg Marion Co Illinois under the name of Eli W. Jones on the 11th day of August, 1862, as a Private in Co "D" 111th Regt. Ills, Vols, Inft and was discharged at Washington DC on the 6th day of June 1865; that his personal description at enlistment was as follows: Age, 23 years; height, 5 feet 6 inches; complexion, light; hair, light; eyes, grey or blue, That while a member of the organization aforesaid, in the service and in the line of his duty at ____ on or about the later part of winter or in spring of 1865, he caught a severe cold by having to wade the Edisto river in North Carolina while on a march that said cold settled in his throat which resulted in catarrh with which he has been troubled ever since. Also that in the spring of 1863 he contracted disease of stomach at Paducah Ky from which he has never recovered Also that on the march from Atlanta to Savanna in Dec 1864 he contracted rheumatism in the right leg which has never left him That he was treated in hospitals as follows: at Paducah Ky in the spring of 1863 for stomach trouble Was not treated for catarah or rheumatism while in the service That he was not employed in the military or naval service prior to Aug 11th, 1862 That he has not been employed in the military or naval service since June 6th, 1865 That prior to his entry into the service above named he was a man of good, sound physical health, being when enrolled a Farmer That he is now wholly incapacitated for procuring his subsistence by manual labor by reason of his disabilities, described above, incurred in the service of the United States; and he therefore makes this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the invalid pension roll of the United States. That he is a pensioner. That he has heretofore applied for pension. Certificate No 1.081,598 That his post office address is Vernon county of Marion, State of Illinois

Robert Binnion Eli W Jones
J B Danbury"

On May 18, 1912, Eli W. Jones filed a further application in Civil War Pension File WC 761-244 for an invalid pension:

"Act of May 11, 1912
Declaration For Pension

State of Illinois)
County of Marion) ss

On this 18th day of May A.D. one thousand nine hundred and twelve personally appeared before me a Notary Public within and for the county and State aforesaid Eli W. Jones, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is 72 years of age, and a resident of Vernon county of Marion, State of Illinois; and that he is the identical person who was enrolled at Fosterburg Illinois under the name of Eli W. Jones, on the 11th day of August 1862 as a private in Co D. 111th Ill. Vol. Inf in the service of the United States, in the Civil war, and was honorably discharged at Washington D.C., on the 6th day of June 1865 That he also served ____ That he was not employed in the military or naval service of the United States otherwise than as stated above. That his personal description at enlistment was as follows: Height, 5 feet 6 inches; complexion fair; color of eyes, blue; color of hair, black; that his occupation was Farmer; that he was born August 13th, 1839 Marion County Illinois That his several places of residence since leaving the service have been as follows: Vernon Illinois That he is a pensioner under certificate No. 1081598 That he has not applied for pension under original No. ____ That he makes this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the pension roll of the United States under the provisions of the act of May 11, 1912.

That his post-office address is Vernon, county of Marion State of Illinois

F Robinson Eli W Jones
Karl Wilson

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of May A.D. 1912 and I hereby certify that the contents of the above declaration, etc., were fully made known and exlained to the applicant before swearing, including the words ____, erased, and the words ____, added; and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

Fora Robinson
Notary Public"

On March 21, 1913, Sarah E. (Meador) (Taylor) Jones filed a declaration in Civil War Pension File WC 761-244 for a widow's pension in right of the service of her husband Eli W. Jones:

"Declaration for Widow's Pension.
Act of June 27, 1890 as Amended by Act of May 9, 1900.

State of Illinois, County of Marion, ss:

On this 21st day of March, A.D. one thousand nine hundred and thirteen personally appeared before me, a Notary Public within and for the County and State aforesaid, Sarah E. Jones, aged 70 years, a resident of Vernon, County of Marion, State of Illinois, who, being duly sworn according to law, makes the following declaration in order to obtain pension under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved June 27, 1890, as amended by The Act of May 9, 1900:

That she is the widow of Eli W. Jones Certif #1081,598 enrolled under the name of Eli W. Jones, at Salem Ill. on the 11th day of August 1862 as a Corporal in Co. D. 111th Illinois Vol. Inf. and honorably discharged June 6th 1865, having served ninety days or more during the late war of the rebellion. That the soldier was not in the military or naval service of the United States except as stated above. That she was married under the name of Sarah E. Taylor to said soldier at Foster Tp Marion Co. Ill on the 16th day of April, 1868 by A. H. Foster, a Justice of the Peace, that there was no legal barrier to the marriage that she had been previously married; that the soldier had been previously married. The soldier was married once before, his first wife Harriet Jones died Jan 8th 1865. The claimant was married once before her marriage to the soldier her former husband Kanada B. Taylor died Dec 12 1863

That the said soldier died March 15 1913 at Vernon Illinois that she was not divorced from him; that she has not remarried since his death; and that she is without other means of support than her daily labor and an actual net income not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars per year.

That the names and dates of birth of all the children of the soldier, now living, and under sixteen years of age at the date of the soldier's death, are as follows:

The soldier left no children.

That she has not heretofore applied for pension. That her post-office address is Vernon County of Marion, State of Illinois

Attest: Sarah E Jones
F M Smith
Karl Nelson"

A Drop Order and Report in Civil War Pension File WC 761-244 stated that Eli W. Jones had died on March 15, 1913.

A Pensioner Dropped Report in Civil War Pension File WC 761-244 stated that Sarah E. Jones had died on December 5, 1918.

e. John H. Meador

John H. Meador was a son of Nancy (Wright) Meador and Jehu Meador. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Nancy[3])

The will of 1815 Joseph Wright dated February 21, 1815, and probated on September 11, 1815, at Bedford County, Superior Court Book A/15 listed John H. Meador as an heir of Nancy (Wright) Meador:

> ". . . . 2ndly I give and bequeath to my grand children Jane Meador, Jubal Meador, Joseph Meador, Judith Meador, & John Meador, children of my Daughter Nancy Meador, deceased one negro Girl named Juggy to be equally divided between them, with her future increase . . . ."

On November 27, 1815, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 17/96 the court appointed John Turner as guardian for John Meador and Jenny Meador:

> "The court doth appoint John Turner as guard: to John Meador & Jenny Meador being of full age for the purpose made choice of the sd. John Turner as her guard. who gave bond & Secy accrdg to Law"

In April 1825, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers John Meador filed his answer to Peter Dent's complaint stating he had no objection to Peter Dent's complaint:

> "The separate answer of John Meador by John Turner guardian &c to a bill of complaint exhibited against him and others in Bedford County court by Peter Dent
>
> This respondant admits the purchase of the Land in the Bill mentioned and the payment of the purchase money and that he is entitled to the same and ought to have a conveyance therefor and that so far as he is concerned he is willing that the same should be decreed accordingly & having answered he prays to be hence Dismissed &c
>
> April Ct 1825 J C Steptoe DC
> Approved to in Court

Bedford County sct

John Meador in the annexed answer named appeared personally before me _____ a justice of the peace for sd County and made oath that the matters therein mention so far as they depend upon his own knowledge are true and that so far as they depend upon information from others he believes them to be true given under my hand this __ day of _____ 1825.

Dent)
v) Ansr
Meador)

1825 April
Ans filed"

On June 30, 1829, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 21/481 John H. Meador executed a Power of Attorney in favor of John Turner to sell the land inherited by him from 1815 Joseph Wright:

"Know all men, by these presents that I John H. Meador of the County of Allen and state of Kentucky, do constitute and appoint John Turner of the County of Bedford & state of Virginia my true and lawful attorney in fact for me and in my name to sell and convey title by deed with general warranty all my undivided right title and interest in and to two tracts of land one lying in the County of Bedford, and the other in the County of Franklin and state of Virginia on the waters of Staunton or Roanoke river, which undivided interest I hold in right of my later grandfather Joseph Wright, all and every act of my said attorney which may be necessarily done in selling and conveying to the purchaser or purchasers full and complete title in fee simple to said premises, shall be recognized by me, and as binding on myself my heirs &c as if done by me in person. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 30th day of June 1829

John H. Meador

Kentucky Allen County Sct. We the undersigned acting Justices of the peace in and for the aforesaid County do certify that John H Meador whose name is signed to the within Power of attorney is a Citizen of the aforesaid County and state, and that he personally appeared before me and acknowledged the within power of attorney to John Turner to be his act and deed for the purposes therein specified. Witness our hands this 30th day of June 1829.

Anick Dawson JPA
Lemuel Smaringen JP. a.b.

Kentucky Allen County Sct. I David Walker Clerk of the County court for the County aforesaid do certify that Anick Dawson and Lemuel Swearingen are and were at the time of signing the foregoing Cerfiticate of acknowledgement, acting Justices of the peace in and for the aforesaid County of Allen and that their official act are entitled to full faith & credit.

In testimony, whereof I have hereunto Set my name and affixed the seal of my Office this 30th day of June 1829.

David Walker.

Kentucky, Allen County Sct. I Eli Pitchford seignior(?) Justice in & for the aforesaid County of Allen do certify David Walker whose name is signed to the foregoing Certificate is and was at the time of signing the same Clerk of the County Court for the County aforesaid, and that his official acts are entitled to full faith & credit. Witness my hand this 20th day of July 1829.

Eli Pitchford JP. A.C.

At a Court held for Bedford County at the Courthouse the 26th day of October 1829. This power of attorney from John Meador to John Turner was certified from the County of Allen state of Kentucky and ordered to be recorded.

Teste
Ro. C. Mitchell C.BC"

If John H. Meador was at least 21 years of age at the time he executed that power of attorney, then his date of birth would be probably before 1809.

8. Barsheba (Wright) Simmons, Her Husband Joel Simmons, And Her Descendants

Barsheba (Wright) Simmons was a daughter of 1815 Joseph Wright of Bedford County and his second wife Judith (Pate) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2])

The marriage bond of Barsheba Wright, daughter of Joseph, and Joel Simmons was dated on September 13, 1806, at Bedford County, Virginia, with Rite Wright as surety:

"Sir pleas to wish licence to marry Joel Simmons and my daughter Barshaba and this warrent Shall be your receipt for the Same Septer 13th 1806

Test — Joseph Wright Sr
Rite Wright — To the Clark of Bedford
her
Patsy X Mays
mark

Know all men by these presents that we Joel Simmons & Wright Wright are held and firmly bound unto William H. Cabell Esquire governor, or chief majistrate of the Commonwealth of Virginia, in the Just & full sum of one hundred and fifty Dollars Virginia money, to the true payment whereof to the said Governor, or his successors for the use of the said Commonwealth we bid ourselves, and each of us, our & each of our heirs Exors & Admrs jointly & severally firmly by these presents, sealed with our seals and dated this 13th day of Sept. 1806.

The Condition of the above obligation is such that whereas there is amarrige shortly intended to be had and Solemnized between the above bound Joel Simmons and Barshaba Wright

Now if there shall be no lawful cause to obstruct the said marriage, then this obligation to be void, else remain in full force and Virtue.

Signed & Acknowd) — Joel Simmons
before) — Rite Wright"

If Barsheba was at least 16 years of age at the time of her marriage to Joel Simmons, then her date of birth would be probably before 1791. Since her father resided in Bedford County, the place of birth would be probably at Bedford County, Virginia.

In his letter dated June 12, 2000, David Seigler stated that on October 10, 1808, at Smith County, Tennessee, D.B. C/166 Joel Simmons purchased from James Gwin 320 acres of land on Long Creek and that in 1808 and 1809 Joel Simmons served on a jury.

Joel Simmons was not listed in the 1810 Census for either Bedford County or Franklin County, Virginia.

The will of 1815 Joseph Wright dated February 21, 1815, and probated on September 11, 1815, at Bedford County, Virginia, Superior Court Book A/15 listed Barsheba Simmons as one of his children:

> ". . . . first I give and bequeath to my Daughter Barsheba Simmons wife of Joel Simmons a Tract of Land lying in Franklin County on Staunton River bound by said River, Balls line & Bruffs branch containing One hundred acres be the same more or less . . . ."

In the Division and Allotment of 1815 Joseph Wright's land dated June 22, 1816, and recorded at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 4/255 Barsheba was assigned Lot number 9 in Franklin County consisting of 193 acres in two parcels, one of 140 acres and one of 53 acres:

> "Laid off the Land of Joseph Wright Decd in the following maner to wit. . . .
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> Lot No 9. 193 acres in Franklin County Composed of 2 tracts the one 140 acres Begining on a pine South 24 West 130 poles to a pine South 25 East 68 poles to a White oak East 42 poles to a Branch thence Down the Same as it meanders 94 poles to a Beach off South 46 East 56 poles to a Branch thence Down the Same to the river thence up the same to the mouth of Buffs Branch thence up the Branch to a a white oak North 55 West 83 poles to the Begining the other 53 acres Begining at a Chesnut north 20 East 101 poles to a Chesnut South 50 West 18 poles to a C.O. N 76 W 50 poles to a B oak South 20 West 16 poles to a P.O. South 24 W. 40 poles to a P.O. S 47 E 90 poles to a B.Q. No. 70 E 64 poles to the Begining
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> Lot No. 9 Bershaba Simmons's . . . ."

And in the Division and Allotment of 1815 Joseph Wright's estate dated August 22, 1816, and recorded at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 4/262 she was assigned Lot number 2 in Franklin County consisting of 28 acres:

> ". . . . Lot No 2 Containing 28 acres Begining at a white oak on the River off South 44 East 128 poles to a pine South 27 West 50 poles to a Hicory off Dividing Line North 44 West 128 poles to the Said River thence Down the same as it meanders to the Begining
> . . . .

22d August 1816

> We commissioners appointed by the worshipfull Court of Bedford County to divide the land of Joseph Wright Decd have done the same and the names of those who drew the lots is in the body of their plats - Lot No 3 drawn by Judith McCormick is to pay fifteen Dollars to Lot No 2 drawn by Bershaba Simmons . . . ."

In his letter dated June 12, 2000, David Seigler stated that at Smith County, Tennessee, D.B. E/292 Joel Simmons purchased 250 acres of land, that on January 29, 1817, at Smith County, Tennessee, D.B. F/458 Joel Simmons purchased 103 acres of land and that on September 16, 1817, at Smith County, Tennessee, D.B. F/263 Joel Simmons purchased 170 acres of land.

On February 9, 1822, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 10/134 Joel Simmons and Barshaba his wife of Smith County, Tennessee, sold two parcels of land to Matthew Wright:

> "This Indenture made and entered into this 9th day of February in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty two, between Joel Simmons & Barshaba his wife of the County of Smith & State of Tennissee of the one part, and Matthew Wright of the County of Bedford & State of Virginia of the other part, Witnesseth that for & in consideration of the sum of six hundred dollars to them in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath given, granted, bargained sold and confirmed, and by these presents, doth give, grant, bargain sell and confirm unto Matthew Wright his heirs & assigns forever two certain tracts or parcels of land situate & lying in the County of Franklin and bounded as follows. Viz (the first) Begining at a red oak stump on the south bank of Staunton River thence (off) and along Teney Wrights line S 53º E 66 poles to a hickory, S 15º E 60 poles to a pine, N 44 W 128 poles to a white oak, on the River aforesaid, thence up the River as it meanders to Jisda McCormacks corner (off) thence along her line S 44º E 128 poles to a hickory S 24º W 80 poles to a pine, S 25º E 68 poles to a white oak, E 42 poles to a branch, thence down the same as it meanders 24 poles to a branch, thence (off) S 46º E 56 poles to a branch, thence down the same as it meanders to the River aforesaid, thence up the River as it meanders to the first station containing two hundred and sixty eight acres. The other tract bounded as follows Viz Begining at a Chesnut, thence N. 20º E 101 poles to a chesnut, S 50º W 18 poles to a Chesnut oak, N 76º W 50 poles to a black oak, S 20º W 16 poles to a post oak, S 24º W 40 poles to a post oak, S 47º E 90 poles to a black oak, N 70º E 64 poles to the first station, containing by survey fifty three acres To have and to hold the aforesaid two tracts or parcels of Land together with all the priviledges

and apurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining unto him the said Matthew Wright his heirs and assigns forever. The said Joel Simmons and his wife Barshaba, doth covenant for themselves their heirs &c that they will forever warrant and defend the right and title of the aforesaid two tracts or parcels of land unto him the said Matthew Wright his heirs and assigns forever, against the claim or demand of all persons or manner of persons whatever. In Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals, the day and date first above written.

Signed and acknowledgd in presence of
Thos G Walton
Edward Glover

Joel Simmons
her
Barshaba X Simmons
mark

State of Tennissee)
Smith County Court) February Term 1822

Then the execution of the within Deed of conveyance was duly provin in open Court, by the oaths of Thomas G Walton and Edward Glover Witnesses thereto, and ordered to be certified, and I hereby Certify the same.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the sine of said Court at Office this 17" day of March 1822 and 46" Year of our Independence.

Jonathan Pickell Clerk
of Smith County Court

Virginia, At a Court held for Franklin County at the Court house the 2nd day of September 1822.

This Indenture of bargain and sale between Joel Simmons and Barshaba his wife of the one part and Matthew Wright of the other part, was exhibited into Court and together with the certificate hereon endorsed, ordered to be recorded.

Teste,
Caleb Tate C.F.C."

This record indicates that Barsheba (Wright) Simmons and Joel Simmons resided in Smith County, Tennessee, by 1822.

In his letter dated June 12, 2000, David Seigler stated that on April 21, 1822, at Smith County, Tennessee, D.B. H/184 Joel Simmons purchased 20 acres of land.

On December 29, 1823, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Peter Dent filed an affidavit that Joel Simmons and Barsheba Simmons were not then residents of Virginia:

"Bedford county Sct

> Peter Dent of Lawful age this day appeared personally before me A Otey a justice of the peace for said County and made oath that he is informed & verily believes that Jane Meador, Jubal Meador, Joseph Meador & Judith Meador: Samuel Mays and Agnes his wife, Martin Greer & Mary his Wife and Joel Simmonds and Barsheba his wife are not inhabitants of the commonwealth of Virginia Given from under my hand at Liberty in sd county the 29th Day of Decr 1823
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> A. Otey JP"

In his letter dated June 12, 2000, David Seigler listed the following land transactions for Joel Simmons:

1) August 29, 1826, at Sumner County, Tennessee, D.B. 1/429 purchase of 50 acres of land,

2) June 20, 1828, at Smith County, Tennessee, D.B. 1/530 sale of 7 acres of land, and

3) December 20, 1828, at Smith County, Tennessee, D.B. K/111 purchase of 111 acres of land.

In his letter dated June 12, 2000, David Seigler stated that on May 22, 1837, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 15/349 Joel Simmons of Smith County, Tennessee, and other heirs of Charles Simmons sold two tracts of land, one for 375 acres and one for 100 acres to Skelton Simmons.

In his letter dated June 12, 2000, David Seigler listed the following land transactions for Joel Simmons:

1) August 31, 1837, Smith County, Tennessee, D.B. 4/104 purchase of 57-3/4 acres of land, and

2) August 31, 1837, Smith County, Tennessee, D.B. 4/107 purchase of 7 acres of land.

In his letter dated June 12, 2000, David Seigler stated that on October 13, 1837, Joel Simmons signed a petition for the formation of a new county out of Smith County, Tennessee.

In his letter dated June 12, 2000, David Seigler listed the following land transactions for Joel Simmons:

1) April 3, 1838, Smith County, Tennessee, D.B. O/262 purchase of 10 acres of land,

2) April 3, 1838, Smith County, Tennessee, D.B. O/263 purchase of 20-1/2 acres of land,

3) March 16, 1840, Smith County, Tennessee, D.B. P/427 sale of 154 acres of land,

4) May 15, 1841, Smith County, Tennessee, D.B. P/577 sale of 150 acres of land, and

5) June 12, 1841, Smith County, Tennessee, D.B. P/578 sale of 90 acres of land.

In his letter dated May 5, 1987, Mr. Victor P. Meador enclosed family group sheets for Joel Simmons and Barsheba (Wright) Simmons which stated that Barsheba (Wright) Simmons was a daughter of Joseph Wright, married Joel Simmons, and died in the 1820's in Tennessee, that Joel was born between 1780 and 1790 at Virginia, moved in 1808 to Smith County, Tennessee, where he bought 320 acres on Long Creek by Deed C/166 and where he served on a jury in 1822 and where he was listed in the 1830 census, that Joel Simmons married a second time to Elizabeth ____, and died in about 1840 or 1841, and that Barsheba (Wright) Simmons and Joel Simmons had the following children:

1) Charlotte Simmons,

2) Andrew Simmons, born 1814 at Tennessee,

3) Catherine "Kitty" Simmons,

4) Parlee Simmons, born 1820 at Tennessee, and

5) Harriet Simmons, born January 17, 1822.

Mr. Meador stated that based on the 1830 Census, there may have been two further sons in this family.

In her letter dated March 30, 1999, Beth Witham enclosed family group sheets which stated that Barsheba Wright was a daughter of Joseph Wright and Elizabeth (Kemp) Wright, and married Joel Simmons on September 13, 1806, at Bedford County, Virginia, and that Barsheba (Wright) Simmons and Joel Simmons had the following children:

1) Catherine (Simmons) Woodcock, born on October 14, 1809,
2) Charlotte Simmons, born about 1812 at Franklin County, Virginia,
3) Andrew Simmons, born in 1814 at Franklin County, Virginia,
4) Paralee Simmons, born in 1820 at Franklin County, Virginia, and
5) Harriet (Simmons) Woodcock, born on January 17, 1822, at Tennessee.

In his letter dated June 12, 2000, David Seigler stated that Barsheba Wright was a daughter of Joseph Wright and Elizabeth Kemp, was born about 1785, married Joel Simmons on September 13, 1806, at Bedford County, Virginia, resided in 1808 on John's Fork of Long Creek, northwest of Lafayette, Smith County, Tennessee, and died about 1820, that Joel Simmons was a son of Charles Simmons and Frances Meador, was born between 1780 and 1785, resided from 1808 to 1841 at Smith County, Tennessee, married second possibly Elizabeth Woodcock before 1830, and that Barsheba (Wright) Simmons and Joel Simmons had the following child:

1) Parlee (Simmons) Gilbreth, born in 1820 at Smith County, Tennesse.

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below the children of Barsheba (Wright) Simmons and Joel Simmons were the following:

1) Catherine "Kitty" (Simmons) Woodcock, born on October 14, 1809,
2) Charlotte (Simmons) Parker, born about 1812,
3) Andrew Simmons, born in 1814 at Tennessee,
4) Parlee or Paralee (Simmons) Gilbreath, born in 1820 at Tennessee,
5) Harriet (Simmons) Woodcock, born on January 17, 1822,

6) Possibly _____ Simmons, a son, born before 1830, and

7) Possibly _____ Simmons, a son, born before 1830.

a. Catherine "Kitty" (Simmons) Woodcock, Her Husband Henry Woodcock, And Her Descendants

Catherine "Kitty" (Simmons) Woodcock was a daughter of Barsheba (Wright) Simmons and Joel Simmons. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3])

In his letter dated May 5, 1987, Victor P.Meador enclosed family group sheets which stated that Catherine Simmons was a daughter of Barsheba (Wright) Simmons and Joel Simmons and married Henry Woodcock, that Henry Woodcock was born on October 30, 1805, and that they had three children:

1) Nathan Woodcock,

2) Smith Woodcock, and

3) Harriet Woodcock.

In her letter dated March 30, 1999, Beth Witham enclosed family group sheets which stated that Catherine Simmons was a daughter of Barsheba (Wright) Simmons and Joel Simmons, was born on October 14, 1809, married Henry Woodcock on December 8, 1825, and died on September 13, 1845, and that Catherine (Simmons) Woodcock and Henry Woodcock had the following children:

1) Tilman D. Woodcock, born on October 2, 1827,

2) Nathan T. Woodcock, born on July 14, 1829,

3) Modena Francis Woodcock, born on November 2, 1830, at Sumner County, Tennessee,

4) Riley L. Woodcock, born on May 1, 1832, at Tennessee,

5) Matilda A. Woodcock, born on November 28, 1833,

6) William H. Woodcock, born on September 29, 1835, at Kentucky,

7) Andrew M. Woodcock, born on October 30, 1837,

8) Paralie S. Woodcock, born on April 5, 1839,

9) Joel N. Woocock, born on April 11, 1841,

10) Martha A. Woodcock, born on January 17, 1843, and

11) Marquis M. Woodcock, born on January 29, 1844.

In his letter dated June 12, 2000, David Seigler stated that Parlee (Simmons) Gilbreth's sister Kittie Simmons married Henry Woodcock and that Henry Woodcock resided in 1837 at Smith County, Tennessee, resided in 1848 at Arkansas, and died at Izard County, Arkansas, and that Kittie (Simmons) Woodcock and Henry Woodcock had the following children:

1) Nathan Woodcock,
2) Smith Woodcock, and
3) Harriet Woodcock.

From the evidence set forth above the children of Catherine "Kitty" (Simmons) Woodcock and Henry Woodcock were the following:

1) Tilman D. Woodcock, born on October 2, 1827,
2) Nathan T. Woodcock, born on July 14, 1829,
3) Modena Francis Woodcock, born on November 2, 1830, at Sumner County, Tennessee,
4) Riley L. Woodcock, born on May 1, 1832, at Tennessee,
5) Matilda A. Woodcock, born on November 28, 1833,
6) William H. Woodcock, born on September 29, 1835, at Kentucky,
7) Andrew M. Woodcock, born on October 30, 1837,
8) Paralie S. Woodcock, born on April 5, 1839,
9) Joel N. Woocock, born on April 11, 1841,
10) Martha A. Woodcock, born on January 17, 1843, and
11) Marquis M. Woodcock, born on January 29, 1844.

i. Tilman D. Woodcock

Tilman D. Woodcock was a son of Catherine "Kitty" (Simmons) Woodcock and Henry Woodcock. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3], Catherine[4])

In her letter dated March 30, 1999, Beth Witham enclosed family group sheets which stated that Tilman D. Woodcock was a son of Catherine "Kitty" (Simmons) Woodcock and Henry Woodcock and was born on October 2, 1827.

ii. Nathan Woodcock

Nathan Woodcock was a son of Catherine "Kitty" (Simmons) Woodcock and Henry Woodcock. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3], Catherine[4])

In his letter dated May 5, 1987, Victor P. Meador enclosed family group sheets which stated that Nathan Woodcock was a son of Catherine "Kitty" (Simmons) Woodcock and Henry Woodcock.

In her letter dated March 30, 1999, Beth Witham enclosed family group sheets which stated that Nathan Woodcock was a son of Catherine (Simmons) Woodcock and Henry Woodcock and was born on July 14, 1829.

In his letter dated June 12, 2000, David Seigler stated that Nathan Woodcock was a son of Kittie (Simmons) Woodcock and Henry Woodcock.

iii. Modena Francis Woodcock, His Wife Mary "Polly" L. Dorcas (Langston) Woodcock, And His Descendants

Modena Francis Woodcock was a son of Catherine "Kitty" (Simmons) Woodcock and Henry Woodcock. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3], Catherine[4])

In his letter dated May 5, 1987, Victor P. Meador enclosed family group sheets which stated that Smith Woodcock was a son of Catherine "Kitty" (Simmons) Woodcock and Henry Woodcock.

In her letter dated March 30, 1999, Beth Witham enclosed family group sheets which stated that Nathan Woodcock was a son of Catherine (Simmons) Woodcock and Henry Woodcock, was born on November 2, 1830, at Sumner County, Tennessee, married Mary "Polly" L. Dorcas Langston on September 30, 1858, and died on May 29, 1880, at Visalia, California, and that Modena Francis Woodcock and Mary "Polly" L. Dorcas (Langston) Woodcock had the following children:

1) Atlas Franklin Woodcock, born on January 30, 1860,
2) Martin Luther Woodcock, born on June 30, 1861,
3) Joel Thomas Woodcock, born on November 28, 1866,
4) Margaret Adeline Woodcock, born on April 25, 1869,

5) Lafayette Monroe Woodcock, born on January 1, 1872,

6) Caledonia Ann (Woodcock) Hively, born on January 7, 1874,

7) Samantha Ellen Woodcock, bornn on April 18, 1877, and

8) Modena Dorcas Woodcock, born on April 7, 1879.

iv. Riley L. Woodcock, His Wives Francis Ruth (Erwin) Woodcock, Berjoice (Martin) Woodcock, And Catherine (Myers) Woodcock, And His Descendants

Riley L. Woodcock was a son of Catherine "Kitty" (Simmons) Woodcock and Henry Woodcock. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3], Catherine[4])

In her letter dated March 30, 1999, Beth Witham enclosed family group sheets which stated that Riley L. Woodcock was a son of Catherine (Simmons) Woodcock and Henry Woodcock, was born on May 1, 1832, at Tennessee, married first Francis Ruth Erwin, married second Berjoice Martin in 1860, and married third Catherine Myers on December 22, 1873, at Cassville, Barry County, Missouri, and died on May 15, 1907, at Selma, Fresno County, California, and that Riley L. Woodstock and Francis Ruth (Erwin) Woodstock had the following child:

1) Dottie Mae Fortune (Woodcock) Robbins, born on November 29, 1884, at Centerville, Fresno County, California, and

that Riley L. Woodstock and Berjoice (Martin) Woodcock had the following children:

1) William Henry Woodcock, born in 1861,

2) Mary Francis Woodcock, born in 1863,

3) James P. Woodcock, born in 1865, and

4) May Woodcock, born in 1870, and

that Riley L. Woocock and Catherine (Myers) Woodcock had the following children:

1) Lee Ann (Woodcock) Myers, born on August 2, 1874, at Wasburn, Barry County, Missouri, and

2) Viena (Woodcock) Estes, born on August 18, 1878, at Hanford, Fresno County, California.

v. Matilda A. Woodcock

Matilda A. Woodcock was a daughter of Catherine "Kitty" (Simmons) Woodcock and Henry Woodcock. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3], Catherine[4])

In her letter dated March 30, 1999, Beth Witham enclosed family group sheets which stated that Matilda A. Woodcock was a daughter of Catherine "Kitty" (Simmons) Woodcock and Henry Woodcock and was born on November 28, 1833.

vi. William H. Woodcock, His Wife _____(____), And His Descendants

Modena Francis Woodcock was a son of Catherine "Kitty" (Simmons) Woodcock and Henry Woodcock. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3], Catherine[4])

In her letter dated March 30, 1999, Beth Witham enclosed family group sheets which stated that William H. Woodcock was a son of Catherine (Simmons) Woodcock and Henry Woodcock, was born on September 29, 1835, at Kentucky, and married _____ _____ and that William H. Woodcock and _____ (____) Woodcock had the following children:

1) Fannie Woodcock,
2) Callavan (Woodcock) Mackey, born in 1859 at Arkansas,
3) Cora (Woodcock) Wilson, born in 1859 at Arkansas,
4) William Henry Woodcock, born in 1860 at Missouri, and
5) Amanda (Woodcock) Clark, born on March 6, 1862, at Arkansas.

vii. Andrew M. Woodcock

Modena Francis Woodcock was a son of Catherine "Kitty" (Simmons) Woodcock and Henry Woodcock. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3], Catherine[4])

In her letter dated March 30, 1999, Beth Witham enclosed family group sheets which stated that William H. Woodcock was a son of Catherine (Simmons) Woodcock and Henry Woodcock and was born on October 30, 1837.

viii. Paralie S. Woodcock

Paralie S. Woodcock was a daughter of Catherine "Kitty" (Simmons) Woodcock and Henry Woodcock. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3], Catherine[4])

In her letter dated March 30, 1999, Beth Witham enclosed family group sheets which stated that Paralie S. Woodcock was a daughter of Catherine (Simmons) Woodcock and Henry Woodcock and was born on April 5, 1839.

ix. Joel N. Woodcock

Joel N. Woodcock was a son of Catherine "Kitty" (Simmons) Woodcock and Henry Woodcock. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3], Catherine[4])

In her letter dated March 30, 1999, Beth Witham enclosed family group sheets which stated that Joel N. Woodcock was a son of Catherine (Simmons) Woodcock and Henry Woodcock and was born on April 11, 1841.

x. Martha A. Woodcock

Martha A. Woodcock was a daughter of Catherine "Kitty" (Simmons) Woodcock and Henry Woodcock. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3], Catherine[4])

In her letter dated March 30, 1999, Beth Witham enclosed family group sheets which stated that Martha A. Woodcock was a daughter of Catherine (Simmons) Woodcock and Henry Woodcock and was born on January 17, 1843.

xi. Marquis M. Woodcock

Marquis M. Woodcock was a son of Catherine "Kitty" (Simmons) Woodcock and Henry Woodcock. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3], Catherine[4])

In her letter dated March 30, 1999, Beth Witham enclosed family group sheets which stated that Marquis M. Woodcock was a son of Catherine (Simmons) Woodcock and Henry Woodcock and was born on January 29, 1844.

b. Charlotte (Simmons) Parker And Her Husband Goldsberry B. Parker

Charlotte (Simmons) Parker was a daughter of Barsheba (Wright) Simmons and Joel Simmons. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3])

In his letter dated May 5, 1987, Victor P. Meador enclosed family group sheets which stated that Charlotte Simmons was a daughter of Barsheba (Wright) Simmons and Joel Simmons.

In her letter dated March 30, 1999, Beth Witham enclosed family group sheets which stated that Charlotte Simmons was a daughter of Barsheba (Wright) Simmons and Joel Simmons, was born about 1812 at Franklin County, Virginia, married Goldsberry B. Parker, and died after 1870.

c. Andrew Simmons

Andrew Simmons was a son of Barsheba (Wright) Simmons and Joel Simmons. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3])

In his letter dated May 5, 1987, Victor P. Meador stated that Andrew Simmons was a son of Barsheba (Wright) Simmons and Joel Simmons, moved to Newton County, Missouri, in 1851, and died December 30, 1886, at Missouri.

In her letter dated March 30, 1999, Beth Witham enclosed family group sheets which stated that Andrew Simmons was a son of Barsheba (Wright) Simmons and Joel Simmons, was born in 1814 At Franklin County, Virginia, and died on December 30, 1886, at Newton County, Missouri.

In his letter dated June 12, 2000, David Seigler stated that Andrew Simmons was born in 1814 at Tennessee, resided in 1860, 1870, and 1880 at Newton County, Missouri, and died in 1886 at Newton County, Tennessee.

d. Parlee Or Paralee (Simmons) Gilbreath, Her Husband David F. Gilbreath, And Her Descendants

Parlee (Simmons) Gilbreath was a daughter of Barsheba (Wright) Simmons and Joel Simmons. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3])

In his letter dated June 12, 2000, David Seigler stated that on October 13, 1837, Joel Simmons signed a petition for the formation of a new county from Smith County, Tennessee, and that he had the following land transactions:

1) January 6, 1841, Smith County, Tennessee, D.B. P/572 sale of 44 acres of land, the seller listed as Franklin Galbreath,

2) January 26, 1841, Smith County, Tennessee, D.B. Q/4 sale of 32 acres of land,

3) May 15, 1841, Smith County, Tennessee, D.B. P/577 purchase of 150 acres of land,

4) 1849, Newton County, Missouri.

In his letter dated June 12, 2000, David Seigler stated that the 1850 Census for Macon County, Tennessee, listed David F. Galbreath with the following household:

Name	Age	Born	Occupation	Property
David F. Galbreath	39	Tennessee	Farmer	$900
Parlee Galbreath	30	Tennessee		
William M. Galbreath	8	Tennessee		
Martha J. Galbreath	6	Tennessee		
Cyrus H. Galbreath	4	Tennessee		
James A. Galbreath	1	Tennessee		

This record indicates that Parlee (Simmons) Gilbreath was born in about 1820 and the David F. Gilbreath was born in about 1811.

In his letter dated June 12, 2000, David Seigler stated that the 1860 Census for Newton County, Missouri, listed Parlee Gilbreth with children William, Martha, Cyrus, James, Amanda, and David.

In his letter dated June 12, 2000, David Seigler stated that the 1870 Census for Newton County, Missouri, listed Parlee Gilbreth in the Andrew Simmons household.

In his letter dated May 5, 1987, Victor P. Meador enclosed family group sheets which stated that Parlee Simmons was a daughter of Barsheba (Wright) Simmons and Joel Simmons, was born in 1820 at Tennessee, married David F. Gilbreath, and died on April 24, 1895, at Newton County, Missouri, and that David F. Gilbreath was born in 1811 at Tennessee and died in 1854 at Missouri.

In her letter dated March 30, 1999, Beth Witham enclosed family group sheets which stated that Paralee Simmons was a daughter of Barsheba (Wright) Simmons and Joel Simmons, was born in 1820 at Franklin County, Virginia, and died on April 24, 1895, at Missouri.

In his letter dated June 12, 2000, David Seigler stated that Parlee Simmons was a daughter of Barsheba (Wright) Simmons and Joel Simmons, was born in 1820 at Smith County, Tennessee, married David F. Gilbreath in about 1840 or 1841 probably at Smith County, Tennessee, resided in 1850 at Smith County, Tennessee, resided in 1860 and 1870 at Newton County, Missouri, died on April 24, 1895, at Newton County, Missouri, and was buried at Powers Cemetery, that David F. Gilbreath was born in about 1811 near the border of Smith County and Sumner County, Tennessee, resided in 1850 at Macon County, Tennessee, resided in 1851 at Newton County, Missouri, was shot by a gun and died of gangrene on January 14, 1854, at Newton County, Missouri, and that Parlee (Simmons) Gilbreath and David F. Gilbreath had the following children:

1) William M. Gilbreath, born on November 25, 1841, at Macon County, Tennessee,

2) Martha J. (Gilbreath) Barbee, born about 1844 at Tennessee,

3) Cyrus H. Gilbreath, born about 1847 at Tennessee,

4) James A. Gilbreath, born about 1849 at Tennessee,

5) Amanda (Gilbreath) (Lane) Greer, born on February 16, 1851, at Newton County, Missouri, and

6) David F. Gilbreath, born on June 16, 1854.

i. <u>William M. Gilbreath, His Wife Mary Elizabeth (Long) Gilbreath, And His Descendants</u>

William M. Gilbreath was a son of Parlee (Simmons) Gilbreath and David F. Gilbreath. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3], Parlee[4])

In his letter dated June 12, 2000, David Seigler stated that in an interview of Opal Seigler by Roy Gilbreth she stated that the family heard that carpet baggers were coming and his mother Parlee Gilbreth had William M. Gilbreth take the sheep and try

to hide them in the brush, but the carpet baggers saw him and killed all the sheep, but did not harm William M. Gilbreth.

In his letter dated June 12, 2000, David Seigler stated that the 1860 Census for Newton County, Missouri, listed William M. Gilbreath in the Andrew Simmons household and his age as 20 and born in Tennessee.

In his letter dated June 12, 2000, David Seigler stated that the 1870 Census for Collin County, Texas, listed William M. Gilbreath.

In his letter dated June 12, 2000, David Seigler stated that the 1880 Census for Collin County, Texas, listed William M. Gilbreath.

In his letter dated June 12, 2000, David Seigler stated that William M. Gilbreath was a son of Parlee (Simmons) Gilbreath and David F. Gilbreath, was born on November 25, 1841, at Macon County, Tennessee, resided in 1850 at Macon County, Tennessee, resided in 1851 and 1860 at Newton County, Missouri, enlisted on July 19, 1862, at Crawford County, Arkansas, in Company G, 8th Missouri Infantry, fought at the battle of Helena, Arkansas, surrendered on May 26, 1865, at New Orleans, Louisiana, and was paroled on June 7, 1865, at Alexandria, Louisiana, married Mary Elizabeth Long on December 17, 1868, at Lamar County, Texas, resided in 1870 and 1880 at Collin County, Texas, resided in 1885 at Lamar County, Texas, resided in 1902 at Clay County, Texas, owned a general merchandise store, died on November 2, 1913, and was buried at Joy Cemetery, Clay County, Texas, that Mary Elizabeth (Long) Gilbreath was born on January 3, 1842, died on March 9, 1925, and was buried at Joy Cemetery, Clay County, Texas, and that William M. Gilbreath and Mary Elizabeth (Long) Gilbreath had the following children:

1) William Frank Gilbreath, born on October 6, 1869,

2) Ida (Gilbreath) Sipes, born on April 7, 1872,

3) James A. "Jim" Gilbreath, born on December 22, 1874,

4) Alma Gertrude (Gilbreath) Adams, born on March 27, 1878, at Collin County, Texas,

5) Lee Gilbreath, born on December 20, 1881,

6) Minnie Bell Gilbreath, born on July 10, 1884, and

7) Eula Hattie (Gilbreath) Seigler, born on June 22, 1885, at Powderly, Lamar County, Texas.

ii. Martha J. (Gilbreath) Barbee And Her Husband ____ Barbee

Martha J. (Gilbreath) Barbee was a daughter of Parlee (Simmons) Gilbreath and David F. Gilbreath. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3], Parlee[4])

In his letter dated June 12, 2000, David Seigler stated that Martha J. Gilbreath was a daughter of Parlee (Simmons) Gilbreath and David F. Gilbreath, was born in about 1844 at Tennessee, resided in 1850 at Macon County, Tennessee, and married ____ Barbee, and died on April 20, 1870.

iii. Cyrus H. Gilbreath

Cyrus H. Gilbreath was a son of Parlee (Simmons) Gilbreath and David F. Gilbreath. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3], Parlee[4])

In his letter dated June 12, 2000, David Seigler stated that Cyrus H. Gilbreath was a son of Parlee (Simmons) Gilbreath and David F. Gilbreath, was born in about 1847 at Tennessee, and resided in 1850 at Macon County, Tennessee, and died on January 24, 1871.

iv. James A. Gilbreath

James A. Gilbreath was a son of Parlee (Simmons) Gilbreath and David F. Gilbreath. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3], Parlee[4])

In his letter dated June 12, 2000, David Seigler stated that James A. Gilbreath was a son of Parlee (Simmons) Gilbreath and David F. Gilbreath, was born in about 1849 at Tennessee, resided in 1850 at Macon County, Tennessee, and died on September 12, 1870.

v. Amanda C. (Gilbreath) (Lane) Greer, Her Husbands ____ Lane and ____ Greer, And Her Descendants

Amanda C. (Gilbreath) (Lane) Greer was a daughter of Parlee (Simmons) Gilbreath and David F. Gilbreath. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3], Parlee[4])

In his letter dated June 12, 2000, David Seigler stated that Amanda C. Gilbreath was a daughter of Parlee (Simmons) Gilbreath and David F. Gilbreath, was born on February 16, 1851, at Newton County, Missouri, married first ____ Lane, married second ____ Greer, and died in 1946, and that Amanda C. (Gilbreath) Lane and ____ Lane had the following children:

1) Mary Lane, born on November 1, 1877, and
2) Samanthia (Lane) Marshall, born on October 15, 1879.

vi. David F. Gilbreath

David F. Gilbreath was a son of Parlee (Simmons) Gilbreath and David F. Gilbreath. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3], Parlee[4])

In his letter dated June 12, 2000, David Seigler stated that David F. Gilbreath was a son of Parlee (Simmons) Gilbreath and David F. Gilbreath, was born on June 16, 1854, married first ____ ____, married second Dora Jane Marshall, and died on March 30, 1922, that David F. Gilbreath and ____ (____) Gilbreath had the following child:

1) William A. Gilbreath, and

that David F. Gilbreath and Dora Jane (Marshall) Gilbreath had the following children:

1) Lester Gilbreath, born on September 24, 1897,
2) ____ Gilbreath, and
3) ____ Gilbreath.

e. Harriet (Simmons) Woodcock, Her Husband Wiley H. Woodcock, And Her Descendants

Harriet (Simmons) Woodcock was a daughter of Barsheba (Wright) Simmons and Joel Simmons. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3])

In his letter dated May 5, 1987, Victor P. Meador enclosed family group sheets which stated that Harriet Simmons was a daughter of Barsheba (Wright) Simmons and Joel Simmons, was born on January 17, 1822, married Dr. Wiley H. Woodcock on October 24, 1839, and died on March 9, 1900, and that Wiley H. Woodcock was born on November 24, 1808, and died on September 21, 1891, at Tennessee.

In her letter dated March 30, 1999, Beth Witham enclosed family group sheets which stated that Harriet Simmons was a daughter of Barsheba (Wright) Simmons and

Joel Simmons, was born on January 17, 1822, at Tennessee, married Wiley H. Woodcock, and died on March 9, 1900, and that Harriet (Simmons) Woodcock and Wiley H. Woodcock had the following children:

1) Martha Ellen Woodcock,
2) Joel Woodcock,
3) William Marcus Woodcock,
4) Susannah Jane Woodcock,
5) Sarah Elizabeth Woodcock,
6) Mary Frances Woodcock,
7) Louisa Catherine Woodcock,
8) Annie Green Woodcock,
9) Wiley Smith Woodcock,
10) Nathan Cicero Woodcock, and
11) Malissa Crittenden Woodcock.

i. Martha Ellen Woodcock

Martha Ellen Woodcock was a daughter of Harriet (Simmons) Woodcock and Wiley H. Woodcock. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3], Harriet[4])

In her letter dated March 30, 1999, Beth Witham enclosed family group sheets which stated that Martha Ellen Woodcock was a daughter of Harriet (Simmons) Woodcock and Wiley H. Woodcock.

ii. Joel Woodcock

Joel Woodcock was a son of Harriet (Simmons) Woodcock and Wiley H. Woodcock. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3], Harriet[4])

In her letter dated March 30, 1999, Beth Witham enclosed family group sheets which stated that Joel Woodcock was a son of Harriet (Simmons) Woodcock and Wiley H. Woodcock.

iii. William Marcus Woodcock

William Marcus Woodcock was a son of Harriet (Simmons) Woodcock and Wiley H. Woodcock. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3], Harriet[4])

In her letter dated March 30, 1999, Beth Witham enclosed family group sheets which stated that William Marcus Woodcock was a son of Harriet (Simmons) Woodcock and Wiley H. Woodcock.

iv. Susannah Jane Woodcock

Susannah Jane Woodcock was a daughter of Harriet (Simmons) Woodcock and Wiley H. Woodcock. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3], Harriet[4])

In her letter dated March 30, 1999, Beth Witham enclosed family group sheets which stated that Susannah Jane Woodcock was a daughter of Harriet (Simmons) Woodcock and Wiley H. Woodcock.

v. Sarah Elizabeth Woodcock

Sarah Elizabeth Woodcock was a daughter of Harriet (Simmons) Woodcock and Wiley H. Woodcock. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3], Harriet[4])

In her letter dated March 30, 1999, Beth Witham enclosed family group sheets which stated that Sarah Elizabeth Woodcock was a daughter of Harriet (Simmons) Woodcock and Wiley H. Woodcock.

vi. Mary Frances Woodcock

Mary Frances Woodcock was a daughter of Harriet (Simmons) Woodcock and Wiley H. Woodcock. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3], Harriet[4])

In her letter dated March 30, 1999, Beth Witham enclosed family group sheets which stated that Mary Frances Woodcock was a daughter of Harriet (Simmons) Woodcock and Wiley H. Woodcock.

vii. Louisa Catherine Woodcock

Louisa Catherine Woodcock was a daughter of Harriet (Simmons) Woodcock and Wiley H. Woodcock. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3], Harriet[4])

In her letter dated March 30, 1999, Beth Witham enclosed family group sheets which stated that Louisa Catherine Woodcock was a daughter of Harriet (Simmons) Woodcock and Wiley H. Woodcock.

viii. Annie Green Woodcock

Annie Green Woodcock was a daughter of Harriet (Simmons) Woodcock and Wiley H. Woodcock. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3], Harriet[4])

In her letter dated March 30, 1999, Beth Witham enclosed family group sheets which stated that Annie Green Woodcock was a daughter of Harriet (Simmons) Woodcock and Wiley H. Woodcock.

ix. Wiley Smith Woodcock

Wiley Smith Woodcock was a son of Harriet (Simmons) Woodcock and Wiley H. Woodcock. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3], Harriet[4])

In her letter dated March 30, 1999, Beth Witham enclosed family group sheets which stated that Wiley Smith Woodcock was a son of Harriet (Simmons) Woodcock and Wiley H. Woodcock.

x. Nathan Cicero Woodcock

Nathan Cicero Woodcock was a son of Harriet (Simmons) Woodcock and Wiley H. Woodcock. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3], Harriet[4])

In her letter dated March 30, 1999, Beth Witham enclosed family group sheets which stated that Nathan Cicero Woodcock was a son of Harriet (Simmons) Woodcock and Wiley H. Woodcock.

xi. Malissa Crittenden Woodcock

Malissa Crittenden Woodcock was a daughter of Harriet (Simmons) Woodcock and Wiley H. Woodcock. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3], Harriet[4])

In her letter dated March 30, 1999, Beth Witham enclosed family group sheets which stated that Malissa Crittenden Woodcock was a daughter of Harriet (Simmons) Woodcock and Wiley H. Woodcock.

f. ____ Simmons

____Simmons was possibly a son of Barsheba (Wright) Simmons and Joel Simmons. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3])

In his letter dated May 5, 1987, Victor P. Meador enclosed family group sheets which stated that Barsheba Wright Simmons and Joel Simmons possibly had a son ____ Simmons born before 1830.

g. ____ Simmons

____ Simmons was possibly a son of Barsheba (Wright) Simmons and Joel Simmons. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Barsheba[3])

In his letter dated May 5, 1987, Victor P. Meador enclosed family group sheets which stated that Barsheba Wright Simmons and Joel Simmons possibly had a son ____ Simmons born before 1830.

9. Judith (Wright) McCormack, Her Husband William McCormack, And Her Descendants

Judith (Wright) McCormack was a daughter of 1815 Joseph Wright of Bedford County and his second wife Judith (Pate) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2])

The marriage bond of Judith Wright, daughter of Joseph Wright, and William McCormack was dated on January 3, 1791, at Bedford County, Virginia, with Micajah McCormack as surety and the marriage on January 4, 1791:

"January 1 1791

this is to sertify that my Daughter Judeth is agreed to Join in wedlock with William mccormack

givven under my hand

Joseph wright
Mic(?) Mccormack

to Mr Bengaman Rice
William Thomas

Know all men by these Presents that We William McCormack & Micajah McCormack are held & firmly bound unto Beverley Randolph Esquire Governor or chief Magistrate of the State of Virginia in the Sum of Fifty pounds Current Money to which payment well and truly to be made to the said Beverley Randolph or to his successors We bind ourselves & each of us our & each of our Joint & Several Heirs Exors & Admrs firmly by these presents Sealed & dated this 3d day of Jan: 1791

The Condition of the above Obligation is such that whereas there is a Marriage shortly intended to be had & Solemnized between the above bound William McCormack & Judith Wright Now if there shall be no lawful cause to obstruct the said Marriage then the above Obligation to be Void else to remain in full force & Virtue

Signed Sealed &c)		his	
in presence of	William	X	McCormack
		Mark	
		his	
	Micajah	X	McCormack
		Mark	

Marriages Certified by Shrewsbury

Sir I do Certify that the following Marriages was Executed by me Towit
. . . .

Jaunary 4th 1791 William McCormack & Judith Wright
. . . ."

If Judith was at least 16 years of age at the time of her marriage, then her date of birth would be probably before 1776.

The Virginia Origins Of A Smith County, Tennessee, McCormack Family by Betty Butler Ravenholt stated that on April 6, 1795, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 3/251 William McCormack purchased 220 acres of land from Armstrong Hale.

The 1810 Census for Franklin County, Virginia, listed one William McCormack with the following members of his household:

Males	Age	Females	Age
1	45+	1	45+
1	16-26	1	26-56
2	0-10	1	16-26
		1	10-16
		1	0-10

This record indicates a birth date for William McCormack prior to 1765, but either of the two oldest females might be Judith.

The will of 1815 Joseph Wright dated February 21, 1815, and probated on September 11, 1815, at Bedford County, Virginia, Superior Court Book A/15 listed Judith McCormack as one of his children:

> ". . . . 3rdly I give and bequeath to my daughter Judith McCormack, wife of William McCormack, one negro girl named Tabb, to be by her possessed during her natural life, and at her death, I give the said Negro Girl Tabb, and any increase she may have, to the lawful heirs of her body. I also give her one Seal Skin Trunk . . . ."

In the Division and Allotment of 1815 Joseph Wright's estate at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 4/255 William and Judith McCormack were alloted 410 acres in Franklin County:

> "Laid off the Land of Joseph Wright Decd in the following maner to wit. . . .
>
> Lot No 10. 410 acres in Franklin County Begining at a Horn Beam on Stanton River off S 23 W 38 poles to a W.O. S 20 E 156 poles to a pine S 58 W 40 poles to a maple on Cow Branch thence up the same 140 poles to a Dogwood off S 36 E 68 poles to a P.O. S 40 W 64 poles to a W.O. N 28 W. 60 poles to a B.O. N 85 W 105 poles to a R.O. N 7 W 132 poles to 3 Chesnuts N 70 W 34 poles to a red oak N 15 West 38 poles to a W.O north 25 W. 96 poles to a pine N 50 E 154

poles to a C.T. on the river thence Down the Same as it meanders to the Begining . . . .

Lot No. 10 - Judith MCormicks)
Lot No. 11 - John Wrights) in Franklin
Lot No. 9 - Bershaba Simmons's)

No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, & 8 land in Bedford the names of those who drew them is inserted in the Body of their Plots, Given under our hands as Commissioners appointed by the worshipfull court of Bedford to divide the lands of Joseph Wright Decd - 22 June 1816

Lawrence McGeorge
Tommey Wright
Leroy Jordan"

In the Division and Allotment at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 4/262 they were allotted an additional 28 acres in Franklin County:

"Lot No 3 Containing 28 acres Begining on the River South 44 East 128 poles a Hickry on the old line near a Branch thence up the same as it meanders 80 poles to a poplar off north 38 West 115 poles to a white oak in the old line north 15 East 12 poles to a Mehogany on the river thence Down the same as it meanders to the Begining . . . .

22d August 1816

We commissioners appointed by the worshipfull Court of Bedford County to divide the land of Joseph Wright Decd have done the same and the names of those who drew the lots is in the body of their plats - Lot No 3 drawn by Judith McCormick is to pay fifteen Dollars to Lot No 2 drawn by Bershaba Simmons . . . ."

A return of sales of the estate of 1815 Joseph Wright that were made in October, November, and December 1815 and recorded on December 23, 1815, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 4/288 included a listing of William McCormick, who purchased the negro slaves Sam and Anne.

Some time after the sale of the property of the estate of 1815 Joseph Wright, William McCormick filed suit against the executors Matthew Wright and James Mays claiming he had not been properly credited with what was due him. The records of the

case are in File 812 of the Superior Court of Law and Chancery, Lynchburg, Virginia, and have been discussed at length in the Section regarding 1815 Joseph Wright above.

The 1820 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed a "William McComack" with the following members of his household:

Males	Age	Females	Age
1	26-44	1	26-44
2	10-15	1	10-15
?	0-10	1	0-10

Since the eldest male is younger than one in the 1810 Census for Franklin County, this is probably not the William McCormack who married Judith Wright, but may be his son.

On about February 7, 1824, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers William McCormick and Judy McCormick joined other heirs of Joseph Wright to answer the complaint of Peter Dent for land due to him from the estate:

> "The joint answers of Joseph Wright Wright Wright Thomas Wright William McCormick & Judy his wife & Mary Greer by her agent and attorney in fact Green B. Greer as appears by the records of Franklin County to wit: to a Bill Exhibited against them and others in Bedford County court by Peter Dent these respondents, saving to themselves the benefit of exceptions to the sd Bill for answer say
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> That Peter Dent is entitled to the Land in the Bill mentioned and ought to have a title for the same that the Respondents Joseph Wright, Thomas Wright & William McCormack & his wife Judy have conveyed their interest in the same to the sd Dent before the suit by sd Dent was instituted and ought therefor to have their costs that the Respondent Mary Greer was willing to have conveyed the same but was out of the country that her husband is dead and she is willing to such decree as will vest her right & Interest in the same in the sd Peter Dent and having fully answered pray to be dismissed with their costs &c
>
> Thomas Wright Sr
> William Mcomak
> Joseph Wright
> Greer B Greer
> Agent as Attey in fact
> for Mary Greer
> Rite Wright

Franklin County Sct.

Thomas Wright in the annexed answer named appeared personally before me Sparrel Hale justice of the peace for sd County & made oath that the matters therein contained are true as far as they depend upon his own knowledge and that so far as they depend upon knowledge derived from others he believes them to be true

Given under my hand this 7th day day of Feby 1824

Spl Hale"

On September 16, 1830, Matthew Wright and James Mayse, as executors of the will of Joseph Wright, obtained a summons from the Superior Court of Chancery at Lynchburg against the heirs of William McCormack with regard to enforcement of a judgment obtained against William McCormack. Copies of the records of this case are in File 320 of the Bedford County, Virginia, Court of Chancery. The summons indicated that William McCormack died before September 16, 1830. The heirs were listed as follows:

Wife: Judith McCormack

Children:
1) John McCormack,
2) Anderson McCormack,
3) Frances (McCormack) Showalters, wife of Abraham Showalters,
4) Judith (McCormack) Hutts, wife of Michael Hutts, Jr.,
5) Right McCormack,
6) William McCormack,
7) Abraham McCormack,
8) Nancy McCormack, and
9) Polly McCormack.

The Virginia Origins Of A Smith County, Tennessee, McCormack Family by Betty Butler Ravenholt stated that the 1830 Census for Smith County, Tennessee, listed a female aged 40 to 50 in the William McCormack household and from other evidence set forth below this was probably Judith (Wright) McCormack.

On June 30, 1831, in the Superior Court of Chancery for the Lynchburg District, File 320, Matthew Wright and James Mayse filed their complaint for recovery as follows:

"To the Honourable Judge of the superior Court of Chancery for the Lynchburg district. The bill of complaint of Matthew Wright and James Mays Executors of Joseph Wright decd. respectfully represent That on the ___ day of ___ they recovered a decree of this Honbl Court against William McCormack late of Franklin County, Va. for neer about the sum of $300 more or less a copy of which decree is herewith filed marked A and sued out their Execution of fiere facias for the same upon which nothing could be made. Shortly after which sd. Wm. McCormack departed this life intestate leaving little or no personal property that your orators could ever ascertain but seized & possessed of a tract of land of ___ acres more or less situated lying & being on Gills Creek or [unreadable] in Franklin County bought of one Armstrong Hale some 40 years ago which land is probably worth some five six or eight hundred dollars and also leaving a widow by name Judith McComack and the following children to wit. John McComack Anderson McComack Right McComack William McComack Abraham McComack Nancy McComack Polly McComack and two daughters to wit Frances who intermarried with Abraham _____ with Michael Hutts. That administration was duly granted to John S. Burwell as Sheriff of Franklin County. That the widow aforesaid is probably entitled to dower of the land aforesaid & each of the children herein before named are probably entitled to an interest in the same. Said admr. aforesaid or his deputy Saml Hale have been renting out said land since the death of said intestate and collecting said rents & profits your orators are advised that as they are unable to make any part of the amount of their decree aforesaid out of any thing personal left by sd. decedent that they can _____ [unreadable] procure the amount of the same out of the proceeds of sd. land its rent profits. They therefore pray of this Honbl court a decree for the sale of said land by a suitable commissioner that the proceeds of sd. sale be by such comr. paid to your orators in satisfaction of same, that sd. admr Burwell be required to settle his administration account of said decedents estate before a Comr. of this Honbl court & ___ of the rents & profits of sd. land & that he pay the same to your orators towards the satisfaction of the Judy aforesaid & the Interest thereon & costs of this suit. Your orators therefore pray that said widow Judith McComack John McComack Anderson McComack Right McComack William McComack Abraham McComack Nancy McComack Polly McComack Abraham Showalters & Frances his wife Michael Hutts & Judith his wife & John Burwell admr. of sd. Wm McComack decd. be made defendants to this bill & full true & perfect answer make to the same that they say what interest they have or claim in sd. land what other property sd. decedent left at his death what has become of the same how much of sd. land there is that belonged to sd. decedent at his death its value &c and finally that you grant to your orators all

such other & further aid assistance & relief as their case may require and as may be equitable & just and as ____ they will ever pray &c

Wm Cook PQ

Matthew Wright) Exor of Jos
Jas Mays) Wright decd.

(A)

Virginia:

At a circuit Superior Court of Law and Chancery continued and held for the town of Lynchburg at the CourtHouse in the said town on the second day of November 1831 sitting as a court of Chancery

Matthew Wright and James Mays exors of Joseph Wright decd. Plts
against
John McCormack Anderson McCormack Abraham Showalters and others Defts

By consent of the parties by their counsel the Court doth order that this cause be removed to the Circuit Superior Court of Law and Chancery for the County of Bedford

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Teste
D Rodes Ck

In the late Superior Court of Chancery for the District of Lynchburg Wright vs McCormack &c

Original _____ day of September ___ (see spa marked No. 1) November Rules 1830 New spa sued out (see spa marked No. 2) and In the circuit superior Court of Law and Chancery for the town of Lynchburg

July Rules 1831 Bill filed

Same Rules New spa sued out (not returned)

October Term 1831 Removed to Bedford (see co. ord markd. A)

Plaintiffs costs viz: To	Defts have incurred
Clerks	$8.82 no costs
Lawyers fee	10.00
___	1.50
Sheriff	.30
	27.08 Copies

Teste
D. Rodes Ck"

On January 26, 1835, in File 320 Matthew Wright testified that all of the defendants of the case, except for Anderson McCormack, resided outside of the state of Virginia.

The Virginia Origins Of A Smith County, Tennessee, McCormack Family by Betty Butler Ravenholt stated that in September 1839 at Smith County, Tennessee, D.B. P/231 William McCormack and John N. Rhodes deeded 68 1/2 acres of land in Smith County, Tennessee, to Judy McCormack and that on January 1, 1840, at Smith County, Tennessee, D.B. 1/169 Judith McCormack purchased land on Buffalo Creek from Samuel McClellin.

A summons in File 320 through the Sheriff of Franklin County, Virginia, was acknowledged as served by Anderson McCormack on April 4, 1840, indicating his residence in that county at that time.

On June 28, 1841, in File 320 Moses G. Carper gave his deposition regarding the records of Franklin County, Virginia, relating to land owned and taxed to William McCormack:

> "The deposition of Moses G. Carper taken in Franklin Court house in the State of Virginia, on Monday the 28th day of June 1841, to be read as evidence in a suit now depending in the Circuit Superior Court of Law & Chancery for the County of Bedford in which Matthew Wright and James Mays executors of Joseph Wright decd. are plaintiffs and John S. Burwell admr. of William McComack decd. and Anderson McComack & others are defendants - The deponent being duly sworn, deposeth and saith,
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> That it appears from the records of the County Court of Franklin, (of which Court, deponent is Clerk) that Armstrong Hale on the 6th of April 1795, conveyed to

William McComack by deed, a tract of Land containing 220 acres, be the same, more or less, which will more fully appear by reference to a copy of the said deed, hereto annexed - that the said tract of Land was thereupon in the year 1796, transfered and charged to said Wm McComack on the Commissioners Books of the said county, that there appears no description of the said tract of land on the Commissioners Books, as to what waters it lies on &c until the year 1812, in which said year it is described as lying on Gills Creek, and is variously described thereafter on said Books, until the year 1822 as lying on "Gills Creek" - "waters of Gills Creek" and "B. of Gills Creek," meaning a Branch of Gills Creek, as deponent supposes- In the year 1821 William McComack conveyed 108 acres of land to one Michael Hutts Jr, and in the year 1822 it appears that the Commissioner of the revenue has deducted that number of acres from the 220 acres aforesaid, as said McComack is charged in that year and also in 1823, with a tract of 112 acres, described as lying on a "branch of Gills Creek." In the year 1824 the said McComack is again charged on the Commissioners Books with a tract of 220 acres, described as lying on a "Branch of Gills Creek, and agreeing in the distance and bearing from the Court house, the price per acre, and total value with the tract of 220 acres charged to said McComack in the year 1821.

The said William McComack continued so to be charged with the same 220 acres until his death, and also so charged after his death until the present year with the same, being described until the year 1841 as lying on the waters of Gills creek, but described in the year last named as lying on "Linville C". deponent further states that said McComack at the time the tract of 108 acres was conveyed to Hutts, was charged with between 8 and 900 acres of land, in four different tracts, two of which were described as lying on the waters of Gills creek, one on Linville, and one on Indian run.

This deponent is satisfied from an examination of the Commissioners Books at the time the transfer was made to Hutts as aforesaid, that the Commissioner erred in taking the 108 acres from the 220 acre tract, and gives the following reasons therefor. In the year 1821 McComack is charged with two tracts on Gills Creek, one of 220 acres and the other of 154 acres, in 1822 and 1823 he is charged with 112 acres and the 154 acres as before. In 1824 he is charged with the 220 acres and a Branch of Gills creek, and a tract of 46 acres "joining"- the tract of 220 acres in the year 1821 is charged at $3. per acre, and the tract of 154 acres at $2. pr. The tract of 108 acres transfered to Hutts is charged at $2. per acre, and the 112 acres at $3. per acre, in 1824, the 220 acres again charged to McComack is $3 per acre, and the 46 acres $2. per acre.

Deponent further states that the 220 acres aforesaid, now charged to Wm. McComack decd. was assessed under the late assessment of Land at $1.50 cents per acre, and further sayeth not.

M. G. Carper

Franklin County to wit:

The foregoing deposition was taken subscribed and sworn to before the undersigned a Justice of the peace in & for the County aforesaid, at the time & place named in the caption hereto. Given under my hand, this 28' June 1841

M. G. Booth J.P."

On June 29, 1841, in File 320 the deposition of Samuel Beard was taken in Franklin County and he stated as follows:

"The deposition of Samuel Beard of Lawful age taken at the dwelling house of Stepen Wood in Franklin County persuant to notice on the 29 day of June 1841 to be Read as Evidence in a suit now depending and undetermined in the Circuit Superior Court of Law and Chancery for the County of Bedford Mathew Wright and James Mays Executors of Joseph Wright Decd. plaintiffs and James S. Burwell administrator of William MCommack Decd. Anderson MCommack and Others defendants. After being first sworn deposeth and sayeth

Quest By plaintiff Mathew Wright Did William MCommmack live and die on the land he purchased of Armstrong Hale

Answer he did

Quest By the same has not that Land been Rented by Samuel Hale debety Shereef for John S. Burwell for the benefit of William MCommack Estate, Answer it has been Rented by Samuel Hale and he was debety for John S. Burwell

Quest by the same. how much has that land Rented for

Answer it rented for forty dollars at first and ___ Come from that sum to twenty five dollars

Quest by the same is the maple branch on which this Land lies the waters of Gills Creek.

Answer. it is

Quest. by the same. is there any water that runs from this land the Waters of Lynvill Creek

Ans. there is one or two Springs that Run to Lynville

Quest By the same, is Anderson MCommack a resident of this County, Answer he is

Quest. by the same, how fare do you live from the Land of William MCommack Decd.

Answer, I have not for fifty years lived more than one Mile from that Land

Quest. by the same, what do you Suppose this Land to be worth, Answer, I suppose it to be worth three dollars per Acree

and further this deponent sayeth not

his
Samuel X Beard
mark

This Within deposition Was Subscribed and Sworn to before me A Justice of the peace in and for the County of Franklin at my dwelling house in Franklin viz: on the 29 day June 1841 Given under my hand &c

Stephen Wood J.P."

The death of plaintiff Matthew Wright required the filing of an amended bill of complaint and the revival of the case in the name of the surviving executor.

On October 5, 1841, in File 320 the court ordered John S. Burwell, the sheriff of Franklin County and the administrator of the estate of William McCormack, to render his account of the estate in his hands.

On May 4, 1842, in File 320 the court further ordered the payment of the judgment from the assets of the estate of William McCormack and, since that would not satisfy the judgment, also ordered the sale of the land of William McCormack remaining in Franklin County to satisfy the judgment:

"At a Circuit Superior Court of Law and Chancery held for Bedford County the 4th day of May 1842.

Matthew Wright and James Mays Executors of Joseph Wright deceased Plaintiffs against
Judith McCormack, John McCormack, Andrew McCormack Wright McCormack, William McCormack, Abraham McCormack, Nancy McCormack, Polly McCormack, Abraham Shewalters and Frances his wife, Michael Hutts and Judith his wife, and John L. Burwell late Sheriff of Franklin and as such admr. of Williams McCormack deceased defendants

In Chancery

This day this cause came on to be heard upon the papers formerly read and the report of Commissioner Wharton made in pursuance of a decretal order pronounced in this cause on the 5th day of October 1841, to which there is no exception, and was argued by Counsel, Upon consideration whereof the Court approving said report doth confirme it, and doth adjudge order and decree that the defendant John S. Burwell late Sheriff of Franklin County and as such administrator of the Said William McCormack decd. out of the estate of his intestate in his hands to be administered if so much thereof be hath if not, out of his own proper estate, do pay to the plaintiff in part satisfaction of his debt against the said William McCormack the sum of one hundred and ninety nine dollars and eighty two with interest thereon after the rate of six per cent per annum from the 1st day of January 1842 till paid, and it appearing from the statement filed in this cause marked A (which Statement is approved by the Court and hereby confirmed) that after deducting the sum of money above decreed in favor of the plaintiffs against the defendant Burwell, there still remains due to the plaintiff on the decree of the late Superior Circuit of Chancery for the Lynchburg district in the bill and proceedings mentioned the sum of Four hundred and Sixty dollars and twelve cents with legal interest on three hundred and Sixteen dollars and fifty cents as part thereof from the Said 1st day of January 1842 till paid, and the Court being of opinion that the lands lying in the County of Franklin whereof the Said William McCormack died Seized and liable for the said last mentioned sum, doth further adjudge, order and decree, that unless the Said defendants or some one or more of them do within thirty days from this day pay to the plaintiff the said sum of Four hundred and Sixty dollars and twelve cents, with interest on three hundred and Sixteen dollars and fifty one cents as part thereof to be computed after the rate of Six per cent per annum from the said 1st day of January 1842, and the costs of this Suit, that Gustavus A. Wingfield and James F. Johnson who are hereby appointed Commissioners for that purpose, either of whom may act do after having advertised the same at the Courthouse of Franklin County and other public places in Said county for four weeks previous to such Sale, proceed to sell the

land in the bill and proceedings mentioned on the premises to the highest bidder, for one third of the purchase money in cash, and for the residue thereof on a credit of Six and twelve months in equal installments, taking bonds with good personal security from the purchase, and retaining the title to the land until all the purchase money is paid, as further Security, and report their proceedings herein in order to a final decree, Liberty is reserved to the absent defendants to Shew cause against this decree at any time within Seven years upon their appearing and answering the plaintiffs bill.

Plaintiffs Cost $68.08

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The land was finally sold to John A. Edwards and the case concluded.

The Virginia Origins Of A Smith County, Tennessee, McCormack Family by Betty Butler Ravenholt stated that William McCormack and Judith (Wright) McCormack had the following children;

1) Judith (McCormack) Hutts, born about 1796 at Virginia,

2) Wright McCormack, born about 1796,

3) Abraham McCormack, born about 1798 at Virginia,

4) Frances (McCormack) Showalters, born about 1798,

5) William McCormack, born about 1800,

6) John W. McCormack, born on February 5, 1801, at Hanover or Bedford County, Virginia,

7) Nancy (McCormack) Rhodes, born about 1802, and

8) Mary Pauline McCormack, born about 1804.

In her letter dated November 5, 1997, Eleanor Bassett enclosed family group sheets which stated that Judith McCormack was a daughter of Judith (Wright) McCormack and William McCormack, was born in 1799 at Virginia, and married Michael Hutts on August 25, 1817, at Franklin County, Virginia.

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below the children of Judith (Wright) McCormack and William McCormack were the following:

1) Anderson McCormack, born probably before 1792,

2) Judith (McCormack) Hutts, born about 1796 or 1799 at Virginia,

3) Wright or Rite McCormack, born about 1796,

4) Abraham McCormack, born about 1798 at Virginia,

5) Frances (McCormack) Showalters, born probably before 1787 or about 1798, and

6) William McCormack, born between 1800 and 1810,

7) John W. McCormack, born on February 5, 1801,

8) Nancy (McCormack) Rhodes, born aout 1802, and

9) Mary "Polly" McCormack, born about 1804 at Virginia,

a. Anderson McCormack, His Wife Elizabeth (Armstrong) McCormack, And His Descendants

Anderson McCormack was a son of Judith (Wright) McCormack and William McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3])

The marriage bond of Anderson McCormack and Elizabeth Armstrong was dated on June 15, 1807, at Franklin County, Virginia, with William McCormack and William Bowles as sureties. If Anderson McCormack was at least 16 years of age at the time of his marriage, his date of birth would be probably before 1792.

The complaint dated June 30, 1831, in Bedford County, Virginia, Chancery Court File 320 listed Anderson McCormack as an heir of William McCormack:

> ". . . . Shortly after which sd. Wm. McCormack departed this life intestate leaving little or no personal property that your orators could ever ascertain but seized & possessed of a tract of land of ___ acres more or less situated lying & being on Gills Creek or [unreadable] in Franklin County bought of one Armstrong Hale some 40 years ago which land is probably worth some five six or eight hundred dollars and also leaving a widow by name Judith McComack and the following children to wit. John McComack Anderson McComack Right McComack William McComack Abraham McComack Nancy McComack Polly McComack and two daughters to wit Frances who intermarried with Abraham ____ with Michael Hutts . . . ."

The acknowledgement of service by the Franklin County sheriff dated April 4, 1840, and filed in Bedford County, Virginia, Chancery Court File 320 indicated that Anderson McCormack was residing in Franklin County, Virginia, at that time.

In her email dated September 10, 1999, Sam Murphy enclosed family group sheets which stated that Anderson McCormack was a son of Judith (Wright) McCormack and William McCormack, was born before 1792, and married Elizabeth Armstrong and that Anderson McCormack and Elizabeth (Armstrong) McCormack had the following children:

1) Ann (McCormick) Slone,
2) Charlotte (McCormick) Slone, and
3) Rhoda (McCormick) Pate.

i. Ann (McCormack) Slone And Her Husband Commodore Slone

Ann (McCormack) Slone was a daughter of Anderson McCormack and Elizabeth (Armstrong) McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3], Anderson[4])

Marriage Bonds Of Franklin County, Virginia 1786-1858 by Marshall Wingfield listed the marriage of Ann McCormack, daughter of Anderson, and Commodore Slone on February 22, 1831, at Franklin County, Virginia, with Anthony Pate as surety.

In her email dated September 10, 1999, Sam Murphy enclosed family group sheets which stated that Ann McCormick was a daughter of Anderson McCormack and Elizabeth (Armstrong) McCormack and married Commodore Slone on February 22, 1831, at Franklin County, Virginia.

ii. Charlotte (McCormack) Slone And Her Husband Samuel Slone

Charlotte (McCormack) Slone was a daughter of Anderson McCormack and Elizabeth (Armstrong) McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3], Anderson[4])

Marriage Bonds Of Franklin County, Virginia 1786-1858 by Marshall Wingfield listed the marriage of Charlotte McCormack, daughter of Anderson, and Samuel Slone on January 12, 1838, at Franklin County, Virginia, with Anthony Pate as surety.

In her email dated September 10, 1999, Sam Murphy enclosed family group sheets which stated that Charlotte McCormick was a daughter of Anderson McCormack

and Elizabeth (Armstrong) McCormack and married Samuel Slone on January 12, 1838, at Franklin County, Virginia.

iii. Rhoda (McCormack) Pate And Her Husband John Pate

Rhoda (McCormack) Pate was a daughter of Anderson McCormack and Elizabeth (Armstrong) McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3], Anderson[4])

Marriage Bonds Of Franklin County, Virginia 1786-1858 by Marshall Wingfield listed the marriage of Rhoda McCormack, daughter of Anderson, and John Pate on September 5, 1832, at Franklin County, Virginia.

In her email dated September 10, 1999, Sam Murphy enclosed family group sheets which stated that Rhoda McCormick was a daughter of Anderson McCormack and Elizabeth (Armstrong) McCormack and married John Pate on September 5, 1832, at Franklin County, Virginia.

b. Judith (McCormack) Hutts, Her Husband Michael Hutts, And Her Descendants

Judith (McCormack) Hutts was a daughter of Judith (Wright) McCormack and William McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3])

The marriage bond of Michael Hutts, Jr., and Judith McCormack was dated on August 25, 1817, at Franklin County, Virginia, with William McCormack as surety. If Judith McCormack was at least 16 years of age at the time of her marriage, her date of birth would be probably before 1802.

The complaint dated June 30, 1831, in Bedford County, Virginia, Chancery Court File 320 listed Judith (Wright) Hutts, the wife of Michael Hutts, as an heir of William McCormack:

> ". . . . Shortly after which sd. Wm. McCormack departed this life intestate leaving little or no personal property that your orators could ever ascertain but seized & possessed of a tract of land of ___ acres more or less situated lying & being on Gills Creek or [unreadable] in Franklin County bought of one Armstrong Hale some 40 years ago which land is probably worth some five six or eight hundred dollars and also leaving a widow by name Judith McComack and the following children to wit. John McComack Anderson McComack Right McComack William

McComack Abraham McComack Nancy McComack Polly McComack and two daughters to wit Frances who intermarried with Abraham _____ with Michael Hutts . . . ."

On January 26, 1835, Matthew Wright in Bedford County, Virginia, Chancery Court File 320 testified that Michael Hutts, Jr., and Judith (McCormack) Hutts were then residing outside of Virginia.

The Virginia Origins Of A Smith County, Tennessee, McCormack Family by Betty Butler Ravenholt and Eleanor Bassett in her letter dated November 5, 1997, included the following obituary dated January 23, 1873, from the Crawfordsville Journal, Crawfordsville, Indiana:

"Michael Hutts, an old man living a few miles west of here in Fountain County was found dead a few rods from his house on Wednesday night last. He was the owner of 700 acres of land and several thousand dollars in cash, yet from the old dilapidated cabin he lived in and his personal appearance one would supppose he wasn't worth a dollar. Mr. Hutts lived alone. he was emphatically a first-class miser."

In her letter dated November 5, 1997, Eleanor Bassett included family group sheets which contained the following biography and appears to be from a county history:

"Michael Hutts (deceased) was a native of Virginia, and there married Judith McCormick. They emigrated on 1829 with a blind horse, a cart, $7, and four children: Mahala, Mark, Lewis, and Giles, and settled in Jackson township, Fountain county, Indiana, where Mr Hutts took a lease on eighty acres of Sec. 16 for nine years. With the first $50 he accumulated he entered forty acres of land in Jackson township. He settled on his little farm and rented his leased tract. By toil and energy he began to increase his possessions. At the time of his death he was worth $25,000. He died in 1874, in his seventy-seventh year. His wife died in 1875, aged seventy-six years. Both belonged to the Baptist church. He was a lifelong democrat."

The Virginia Origins Of A Smith County, Tennessee, McCormack Family by Betty Butler Ravenholt stated that Judith McCormack was a daughter of Judith (Wright) McCormack and William McCormack, was born in about 1796 at Virginia, married

Michael Hutts, Jr., on August 25, 1817, at Franklin County, Virginia, on April 29, 1846, at Smith County, Tennessee, Circuit Court joined several of her siblings as plaintiff in a lawsuit naming her brother William McCormack as defendant, and resided in 1850 at Jackson Township, Fountain County, Indiana, that Michael Hutts, Jr., was born about 1796 at Virginia, resided in 1850 at Jackson Township, Fountain County, Indiana, was a farmer in 1850, and that Judith (McCormack) Hutts and Michael Hutts, Jr., had the following children:

1) Mark O. Hutts, born about 1821 at Virginia, and

2) Giles W. Hutts, born about 1828 at Virginia.

In her letter dated November 5, 1997, Eleanor Bassett enclosed family group sheets which stated that Judith McCormack was a daughter of Judith (Wright) McCormack and William McCormack, was born in 1799 @ Virginia, married Michael Hutts on August 25, 1817, at Franklin County, Virginia, died on August 10, 1874, at Indiana, and was buried at Gray's Cemetery, Montgomery County, Indiana, that Michael Hutts was born in 1796 at Virginia and died on January 15, 1873, at Jackson Township, Fountain County, Indiana, and that Judith (McCormack) Hutts and Michael Hutts had the following children:

1) Mahala Ann (Hutts) Palmer, born on August 12, 1818, at Franklin County, Virginia,

2) Mark Oty Hutts, born in July 1819 at Franklin County, Virginia,

3) Lewis W. Hutts, born on November 22, 1822, at Franklin County, Virginia, and

4) Giles Washington Hutts, born on September 21, 1827, at Franklin County, Virginia.

i. <u>Mahala Ann (Hutts) Palmer, Her Husband Daniel Palmer, And Her Descendants</u>

Mahala Ann (Hutts) Palmer was a daughter of Judith (McCormack) Hutts and Michael Hutts, Jr. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3], Judith[4])

In her letter dated November 5, 1997, Eleanor Bassett enclosed family group sheets which contained a transcription of the will of Mahala Ann (Hutts) Palmer dated January 13, 1886, and probated on June 24, 1886, at Allen County, Kansas:

> "I Mrs. Mahala Ann Palmer of Salem Township, County of Allen, State of Kansas, being of sound mind and memory and considering the uncertainty of this life, do therefore make, publish, and declare, this to be my last will and Testament in that is to say,
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> 1st I Give and bequeath to each of my children, namely - Cary Palmer, Isaac W. Palmer, Michael H. Palmer, Mrs. Hannah Jay, Mrs. Elizabeth Jane Shell, Mrs. Martha Ann Bonebrake, and Mrs. Margaret Lindsay an equal Share in the following described Real Estate The East Half of the North East qr. Section Eight (8) Twenty six (26) Nineteen (19) Salem Township, Allen Cuonty, State of Kansas, Except one acre out of the North East corner for Church purposes
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> 2nd Whenever a majority of the Heirs to whom I have Willed the above described Real Estate shall agree upon a selling price then and not until they shall the said Real Estate be sold, and out of the Money derived from the disposition of the said Real Estate when collected, The sum of five Hundred Dollars shall be paid, to my Grand Daughter Celestia Jane Morgan. The Amount to benefit in the care of my Son Cary Palmer and to be invested to the best of her interest and advantage and to be paid her in full on the first day of January, Eighteen Hundred and Ninety four (1894) or any time prior to the above named Date providing she should marry further more This five Hundred Dollars ($500) shall be her entire claim and interest in my Estate.
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> 3rd My Son Michael H. Palmer's Share in the Estate to be held by my Son Cary Palmer to be used or invested to the best of my Son Michael's advantage, and only such part or parts of his Share, rents or interests, drived Therefrom, as is required for his support and necessaries shall . . . .
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> 4th The proceeds, of all Chattels and household furniture to be equally Divided among all the children above named, except my Grand Daughter Celestia Jane Morgan. And I hereby appoint my Son Cary Palmer to be Executor of This my last Will and Testament, by me made and if at any time the Executor fails to faithfully discharge the Duties above set forth to be subject to the dismissal from the Executorship of the Estate.
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> mahalm A Palmer
> Testator

The above instrument was, subscribed by said Mahala Ann Palmer in our presence This Thirteenth Day of January in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-Six (1886).

James Finley
Humboldt Allen County Kansas
Maggie Finley
Humboldt Allen County Kansas
William Shell
Cayville Wilson Co. Kansas

State of Kansas
County of Allen - in Probate Court

In the matter of the Last Will and Testament of Mahala Ann Palmer, deceased.

And now on this 24th day of June 1886 comes James Finley and Maggie Finley of lawful age, residents of said . . . . Court who being duly sworn in . . . . Court separately and individually say that they are two of the subscribing witnesses to the written instrument hereto attached purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Mahala Ann Palmer deceased; that said written instrument was signed and acknowledged by said Mahala Ann Palmer, now deceased, in their presence as her last Will and Testament, and the same was signed by said witnesses in the presence of and at the request of said deceased and in the presence of each other, all of which was done when said Mahala Ann Palmer was of full age, sound and disposing mind and memory, and under no undue or unlawful restraint.

James Finley
Maggie Finley

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of June A.D. 1886 W. G. Allison Probate Judge."

In her letter dated November 5, 1997, Eleanor Bassett enclosed family group sheets which stated that Mahala Ann Hutts was a daughter of Judith (McCormack) Hutts and Michael Hutts, Jr., was born on August 12, 1818, at Franklin County, Virginia, married Daniel Palmer on March 11, 1838, at Fountain County, Indiana, died on January 21, 1886, near Humboldt, Allen County, Kansas, and was buried at Maple Grove Cemetery, near Humboldt, Allen County, Kansas, that Daniel Palmer was born on December 26, 1802, at South Carolina, married first Hannah Pearson on January 1,

1824, died on January 13, 1868, at Fountain County, Indiana, and was buried at Bonebrake Cemetery, Fountain County, Indiana, and that Mahala Ann (Hutts) Palmer and Daniel Palmer had the following children:

1) Hannah (Palmer) Jay, born on January 25, 1839, at Indiana,

2) Carey M. Palmer, born on June 9, 1840, at Indiana,

3) Isaac Waldrip Palmer, born on June 13, 1841, at Ripley Township, Montgomery County, Indiana,

4) Daniel C. Palmer, born on August 12, 1843, at Montgomery County, Indiana,

5) William H. Palmer, born on August 16, 1845, at Montgomery County, Indiana,

6) Michael H. Palmer, born on February 6, 1847, at Montgomery County, Indiana,

7) Elizabeth J. (Palmer) Shell, born on February 1, 1850, at Ripley Township, Montgomery County, Indiana,

8) Martha Ann (Palmer) Bonebrake, born on January 18, 1853, at Ripley Township, Montgomery County, Indiana,

9) Rachel (Palmer) Morgan, born on October 9, 1855, at Ripley Township, Montgomery County, Indiana, and

10) Margaret (Palmer) Lindsey, born on June 27, 1858, at Ripley Township, Montgomery County, Indiana.

ii. Mark Oty Hutts, His Wives Elizabeth (Livingston) Hutts, Magdaline (Glines) Hutts And Elizabeth P. (Hicks) Hutts, And His Descendants

Mark Oty Hutts was a son of Judith (McCormack) Hutts and Michael Hutts, Jr. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3], Judith[4])

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"A rather remarkable case was tried before Judge Thomas, of this city, in the Fountain Circuit Court at Covington this week. It was a suit for slander brought by Giles Hutts against his brother, Mark Hutts. The suit had its origin in January 1873, when the father of these brothers was one morning found dead in a fence corner. There was some mystery about the old man's death, which Mark, according to the complaint, turned to account against his brother, Giles, charging him with buying poison and procuring their mother to administer it to their father, and thus causing his death. Giles brought suit against Mark, as already stated, for circulating this charge. The trial occupied the court all of Monday, and half of the day Tuesday, going to the jury at noon. After being out a short time the jury returned a verdict for Giles, the plaintiff, fixing his damages at $2700. There was a large array of legal talent engaged in the cause, headed by Hon. D. W. Voorhees for the plaintiff and Judge Ristine for the defendant. Another suit is pending between the same parties, but with their positions reversed, Mark now is suing Giles. This latter suit grows out of another matter."

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1) Huey or Henry Polk Hutts, born about 1847 at Indiana, and

2) Martha A. Hutts, born about 1849 at Indiana.

In her letter dated November 5, 1997, Eleanor Bassett enclosed family group sheets which stated that Mark Oty Hutts was a son of Judith (McCormack) Hutts and Michael Hutts, Jr., was born in July 1819 at Franklin County, Virgina, married first Elizabeth Livingston on August 4, 1844, at Montgomery County, Indiana, married second Magdaline Glines on September 20, 1883, married third Elizabeth P. Hicks on October 24, 1887, died on March 6, 1892, at Indiana, and was buried at Old Town Cemetery, Veedersburg, Indiana.

iii. Lewis W. Hutts And His Wives Elizabeth (Livingston) Hutts and Elizabeth Jane Sowers (Weatherman) Hutts

Lewis W. Hutts was a son of Judith (McCormack) Hutts and Michael Hutts, Jr. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3], Judith[4])

In her letter dated November 5, 1997, Eleanor Bassett enclosed family group sheets which stated that Lewis W. Hutts was a son of Judith (McCormack) Hutts and Michael Hutts, Jr., was born on November 22, 1822, at Franklin County, Virginia, married first Lucinda Way, married second Elizabeth Jane Sowers Weatherman on November 15, 1866, died on May 2, 1885, at Fountain County, Indiana, and was buried at Centennial Cemetery, Fountain County, Indiana.

iv. Giles Washington Hutts, His Wife Harriet N. (Clayton Or Crayton) Hutts, And His Descendants

Giles Washington Hutts was a son of Judith (McCormack) Hutts and Michael Hutts, Jr. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3], Judith[4])

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The Virginia Origins Of A Smith County, Tennessee, McCormack Family also included the following further newspaper article from an unidentified newspaper:

"It will be remembered about a year ago his father, Giles Hutts, went behind the prescription case at Harris Philpott's drug store in Yeddo and helped himself to what he thought was a bottle of gin but which proved to be carbolic acid and he died within five minutes after drinking it, sitting in a chair."

In her letter dated November 5, 1997, Eleanor Bassett enclosed family group sheets which included a biography of Giles Washington Hutts and which appears to have been from a county history:

"Giles Hutts was born September 21, 1827, in Franklin county Virginia, and came westward with his parents. He aided his father till his marriage with Harriet Crayton, February 15, 1849. She was born in Indiana. Her parents were Thomas and Susan (May) Crayton. Her mother was a sister to the Hon. George May, of Fountain county. Mr. Hutts settled on forty acres of land and given to him by his father, giving his father $100 in consideration of improvements in deadening. Within twelve years Mr Hutts added another forty acres, built a house and barn, and saved $3,000. In 1865 he engaged in the mercantile business in Hillsboro, then located at Jacksonville, and in 1877 opened a store in Harvesburg. Here he keeps a stock of dry goods, clothing, groceries, ets. and is doing a good trade. He owns 120 acres of land in Fuontain county and 20 acres adjoining the town of Brazil. He is worth about $10,000. Politically he has been a lifelong democrat. He is an Odd Fellow. Mrs. Hutts is a member of the Christian Church. They have had eleven chidlren, of whom but three are living one boy and two girls."

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"Almost another murder to stain the records of Fountain County

Last Saturday occurred another attempt at murder in Fountain county. Giles Hutts was the victim, and a German whose name we failed to learn did the shooting. The particulars are about as follows, Hutts met the German with whom he is well acquainted and called out "How are you, you d--m Dutchman" The German whipped out his pistol and fired at Hutts. The ball grazed his side cutting through his clothing. Hutts called out "well d--m you, you didn't shoot me." This was a signal for another shot which took efgfect in Hutts cuff sleeve. No arrest has been made."

The Virginia Origins Of A Smith County, Tennessee, McCormack Family also stated that Giles W. Hutts was a son of Judith (McCormack) Hutts and Michael Hutts, Jr., was born about 1828 at Virginia, resided in 1850 at Jackson Township, Fountain County, Indiana, married Harriet N. ____, that Harriet N. (____) Hutts was born about 1831, and that Giles W. Hutts and Harriet N. (____) Hutts had the following child:

1) Joseph W. Hutts, born about 1850 at Indiana.

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c. Wright McCormack, His Wife Charlotte (Payne) McCormack, And His Descendants

Wright McCormack was a son of Judith (Wright) McCormack and William McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3])

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The Virginia Origins Of A Smith County, Tennessee, McCormack Family by Betty Butler Ravenholt stated that Wright McCormack was a son of Judith (Wright) McCormack and William McCormack, was born in about 1796 at Virginia, married Charlotte Payne on May 18, 1819, at Franklin County, Virginia, and on April 29, 1846, at Smith County, Tennessee, Circuit Court joined several of his siblings as plaintiff in a lawsuit naming his brother William McCormack as defendant.

In his letter dated July 27, 1999, John LaNoue Redmond enclosed family group sheets which stated that Wright McCormack was a son of Judith (Wright) McCormack and William McCormack, was born before 1794, and married Charlotte Payne on May 18, 1819, at Franklin County, Virginia, that Charlotte (Payne) McCormack was born about 1788 at Franklin County, Virginia, and that Wright McCormack and Charlotte (Payne) McCormack had the following children:

1) Albert Green McCormack, born on February 17, 1822, at Franklin County, Virginia,

2) Vincent Lee McCormack, born on January 21, 1824, at Franklin County, Virginia,

3) Lorenzo McCormack, and

4) Minerva (McCormack) Haekrider.

In that same letter John LaNoue Redmond enclosed an obituary for Vincent L. McCormack which stated that his parents moved in 1826 to Tennessee, in early 1828 to White River Bluffs, Johnson County, Indiana, and in late 1828 to Liberty Township, Hendricks County, Indiana, where Wright McCormack purchased 80 acres of land for $125.

i. Albert Green McCormack, His Wives Drusilla Millie (Cable) McCormack And Martha (Borders) McCormack, And His Descendants

Albert Green McCormack was a son of Wright McCormack and Charlotte (Payne) McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3], Wright[4])

In his letter dated July 27, 1999, John LaNoue Redmond enclosed a copy of the marriage record of Albert G. McCormick and Milly Coble dated August 6, 1842, at Hendricks County, Indiana:

"August the 5th 1842

Issued a marriage to Albert G McCormick and Milly Cable Citizens of Hendricks County, Indiana I the undersigned, a minister of the gospel do certify that the above named Albert G McCormick and Milly Coble were duly Joined in marriage on the 6th day of August 1842 by me

July 18th 1843. Obediah Tincher"

In his letter dated July 27, 1999, John LaNoue Redmond enclosed an email from Betty Ravenholt which stated that the 1860 Census for Franklin Township, Hendricks County, Indiana, listed Albert G. McCormick with the following household:

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Name	Age	Occupation	Born
Albert G. McCormick	38	Farmer	Virginia
Milla McCormick	38		Tennessee
Jane McCormick	17		Indiana
George McCormick	16		Indiana
Ann McCormick	14		Indiana
Marshal McCormick	11		Indiana
Milo McCormick	5		Indiana
Barbara McCormick	3		Indiana
Mary McCormick	1		Indiana

In his letter dated July 27, 1999, John LaNoue Redmond enclosed an email from Betty Ravenholt which stated that the 1870 Census for Franklin Township, Hendricks County, Indiana, listed Albert McCormac with the following household:

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Name	Age	Occupation	Born
Albert McCormac	48	Farmer	Virginia
Milly McCormac	47		Tennessee
Permelia McCorma	21		Indiana
Levi McCormac	22		Indiana
Mary McCormac	17		Indiana
Milo McCormac	14		Indiana
Ellen McCormac	12		Indiana
William McCormac	10		Indiana

In his letter dated July 27, 1999, John LaNoue Redmond enclosed an undated obituary for Albert Green McCormack which stated as follows:

"A. G. McCormack

Albert Green McCormack was born in Franklin County Virginia February 7, 1822. He with his parents moved to Indiana when he was about ten years of age. He departed this life Nov. 5, 1907, age eighty five years eight months and twenty nine days.

He was married to Millie Coble Aug. 27, 1842. To this union were born eight children, four sons and four daughters, all of whom survive him. In 1873 his wife was called home. On Sept. 7, 1872 he was married to Martha Borders, who survives him. He also leaves two brothers and one sister.

Early in life he became a christian and united with the M. E. church and was a member for many years of Cherry Grove church, and was ever a faithful member, attending service until his health failed him and he was compelled to remain at home.

During his late sickness he would speak of his church but his work is ended and he has gone to be with his Lord and the loved ones who have gone before, leaving many friends and relatives here to mourn their loss.

Funeral services were held Nov. 7 at Cherry Grove church and were conducted by Rev. J. B. Likery of Mooresville whose friendship with the deceased dates back fortyone years and began during his first pastorate of the Belleville circuit in 1866. He preached a very comforting discourse from the words "All is yours, and ye are Christ's and Christ is God's", to the large audience of relatives and friends of the aged one, who had assembled in the church he had helped to build, and where he has so faithfully worshipped until compelled by the infirmities of age to remain at home. The pall bearers were the four sons George W. of Hadley, Levi

of Logan Kansas Milo and Wm. A. of Clayton, and two nephews of Mrs. McCormack Smith Harlan of Coatesville, and Lewis Borders of Stilesville. Interment in the Clayton Cemetery south of Clayton.

He was a good man, very hospitable to all who visited him, a kind friend, a good citizen, an honest man, a pillar in the church and a man of God.

The above photograph was taken about two years ago and contains also the pictures of the surviving members of the McCormack family. They are from left to right, W. L. McCormack, V. L. McCormack, A. G. McCormack and Minerva Harkrider."

In his letter dated July 27, 1999, John LaNoue Redmond also enclosed family group sheets which stated that Albert Green McCormack was a son of Wright McCormack and Charlotte (Payne) McCormack, was born on February 17, 1822, at Franklin County, Virginia, married first Drusilla Millie Cable on August 6, 1842, at Clayton, Hendricks County, Indiana, married second Martha Borders on April 27, 1875, at Clayton, Hendricks County, Indiana, died on November 5, 1907, at Cherry Grove, Montgomery County, Indiana, and was buried at Cherry Grove, Montgomery County, Indiana, that Drusilla Millie (Cable) McCormack was born in 1822 or 1824 at Tennessee, and died on September 7, 1872, at Clayton, Hendricks County, Indiana, and that Albert Green McCormack and Drusilla Millie (Cable) McCormack had the following children:

1) Thursey June McCormack, born in 1843 at Hendricks County, Indiana,

2) George W. McCormack, born in 1844 at Hendricks County, Indiana,

3) Permelia Ann McCormack, born in 1846 at Statesville, Indiana,

4) Levi Marshall McCormack, born in 1849 at Hendricks County, Indiana,

5) Milo McCormack, born in 1855 at Hendricks County, Indiana,

6) Barbara Ellen (McCormack) Redmond, born on November 18, 1857, at Clayton, Hendricks County, Indiana, and

7) Mary McCormack, born in 1859 at Clayton, Hendricks County, Indiana.

ii. Vincent Lee McCormack, His Wives Susannah E. (Osborn) McCormack, Sarah (Wishard) McCormack, And Jennie (Hardin) McCormack, And His Descendants

Vincent Lee McCormack was a son of Wright McCormack and Charlotte (Payne) McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3], Wright[4])

In his letter dated July 27, 1999, John LaNoue Redmond enclosed an undated obituary for Vincent Lee McCormack which stated as follows:

> "The harvest has ripened, the grim reaper has put in his sickle and the grain is garnered. Vincent Lee, the third of the four children of Wright and Charlotte Payne McCormack, was born in Franklin county, Va., Jan. 21, 1824. He moved by wagon with his parents to Tennessee in 1826. This place not proving to their liking, the team was again brought into play and they stopped at the White River Bluffs in Johnson county, Ind., early in 1828, where they remained until fall and continued their journey until Liberty township Hendricks county was reached, and just south of the Summit and west of Clayton the father entered an 80 acre tract, giving $125 for the same. Here and on adjoining land was to be the scene of Vincent's boyhood and manhood days. His education was that of his times. He was united in marriage to Susannah E. Osborn on Dec. 5, 1847, and this union was blessed with eight children - four sons and four daughters - all of whom, with their mother, have gone hence. In September, 1882, he was united in marriage with Mrs. Sarah Wishard, who died July 9, 1894. Again he was married to Miss Jennie Hardin, May 6, 1896, and she departed this life in October, 1904. The Clayton Baptist church was organized March 11, 1854, and he was the fourth to unite with it afterwards, possibly under the preached word of a Rev. Mr. Roberts. When able he was noted for the regularity of his attendance, the interest he took in Sunday school and church work, and his liberality in providing for their needs. For many years he was the church treasurer and was ever faithful to his trust. He was received as a full member in Clayton lodge F. and A.M., April 22, 1873 and a few years later was made a Royal Arch Mason in Danville Chapter, to both of which he remained a member until death. By occupation he was a farmer; a man acquainted with hard work, of an economical turn and gathered this world's goods until he had attained 450 acres. In his earlier days he had known what it was to raise and harvest his wheat crop, haul it to Madison, Ind., for sale at forty cents per bushel. His home was always open and ready for the entertainment of neighbors and friends. Coming to this county at a time when only three log cabins marked the present location of Indianapolis and when this was almost an unbroken wilderness he has seen the mighty forests laid low and the soil blossom as a rose and bear the golden grain; also the march and advance of

civilization of the last three quarters of a century. But the pioneers like the monarchs of the forest must fall at last - their end needs must come. After journeying upon earth 84 years, 4 months and 2 days he has gone to that home not made with hands. He is survived by one brother, one sister, two grandchildren and one great-grandchild. The funeral services were conducted at the Baptist church Monday afternoon by the Rev. J. E. Sherrill after which the remains were laid at rest in the private family lot on the home farm."

In his letter dated July 27, 1999, John LaNoue Redmond also enclosed family group sheets which stated that Vincent Lee McCormack was a son of Wright McCormack and Charlotte (Payne) McCormack, was born on January 21, 1824, at Franklin County, Virginia, married first Susannah E. Osborn on December 5, 1847, at Hendricks County, Indiana, married second Sarah Wishard in September 1882 at Clayton, Hendricks County, Indiana, married third Jennie Hardin on May 6, 1896, died on May 23, 1908, at Clayton, Hendricks County, Indiana, and was buried at the family farm cemetery.

iii. Lorenzo McCormack And His Wife Permelia (____) McCormack

Lorenzo McCormack was a son of Wright McCormack and Charlotte (Payne) McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3], Wright[4])

In his letter dated July 27, 1999, John LaNoue Redmond enclosed family group sheets which stated that Lorenzo McCormack was a son of Wright McCormack and Charlotte (Payne) McCormack and married Permelia ____.

iv. Minerva (McCormack) And Her Husband ____ Haekrider

Minerva (McCormack) Haekrider was a daughter of Wright McCormack and Charlotte (Payne) McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3], Wright[4])

In his letter dated July 27, 1999, John LaNoue Redmond enclosed family group sheets which stated that Minerva McCormack was a daughter of Wright McCormack and Charlotte (Payne) McCormack and married ____ Haekrider. The Harkrider family

also resided in Franklin County, Virginia, and the name of Minerva McCormack's husband might be Harkrider rather than Haekrider.

d. Abraham McCormack, His Wife Judith W. (Palmore) McCormack, And His Descendants

Abraham McCormack was a daughter of Judith (Wright) McCormack and William McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3])

The marriage bond of Abraham McCormack and Judith W. Palmore was dated on September 29, 1825, at Franklin County, Virginia, with John P. Palmore as surety. If Abraham McCormack was at least 16 years of age at the time of his marriage, his date of birth would be probably before 1810.

The complaint dated June 30, 1831, in Bedford County, Virginia, Chancery Court File 320 listed Abraham McCormack as an heir of William McCormack:

> ". . . . Shortly after which sd. Wm. McCormack departed this life intestate leaving little or no personal property that your orators could ever ascertain but seized & possessed of a tract of land of ___ acres more or less situated lying & being on Gills Creek or [unreadable] in Franklin County bought of one Armstrong Hale some 40 years ago which land is probably worth some five six or eight hundred dollars and also leaving a widow by name Judith McComack and the following children to wit. John McComack Anderson McComack Right McComack William McComack Abraham McComack Nancy McComack Polly McComack and two daughters to wit Frances who intermarried with Abraham ____ with Michael Hutts . . . ."

On January 26, 1835, Matthew Wright in Bedford County, Virginia, Chancery Court File 320 testified that Abraham McCormack was then residing outside of Virginia.

The Virginia Origins Of A Smith County, Tennessee, McCormack Family by Betty Butler Ravenholt stated that Abraham McCormack was a son of Judith (Wright) McCormack and William McCormack, was born in about 1798 at Virginia, married Judith W. Palmore in September 1825 at Franklin County, Virginia, on April 29, 1846, at Smith County, Tennessee, Circuit Court joined several of his siblings as plaintiff in a lawsuit naming his brother William McCormack as defendant, resided in 1840 at Henry County, Indiana, on November 6, 1848, at Smith County, Tennessee, D.B. 1/170 and then of Indianaa sold 68 1/2 acres of land on Buffalo Creek to his sister Mary

Woodcock, resided in 1850 at Harrison Township, Henry County, Indiana, and was a farmer in 1850, and that Abraham McCormack and Judith (Palmore) McCormack had the following children:

1) Robert McCormack, born about 1829 at Indiana,
2) Martha McCormack, born about 1832 at Indiana,
3) Cynthia McCormack, born about 1834 at Indiana,
4) Barbara McCormack, born about 1835 at Indiana,
5) Nancy McCormack, born about 1838 at Indiana,
6) Enoch McCormack, born about 1839 at Indiana,
7) William McCormack, born about 1841 at Indiana,
8) Mary McCormack, born about 1842 at Indiana,
9) Minerva McCormack, born about 1844 at Indiana, and
10) Tilghman McCormack, born about 1848 at Indiana.

i. Robert McCormack

Robert McCormack was a son of Abraham McCormack and Judith (Palmore) McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3], Abraham[4])

The Virginia Origins Of A Smith County, Tennessee, McCormack Family by Betty Butler Ravenholt stated that Robert McCormack was a son of Abraham McCormack and Judith (Palmore) McCormack, was born about 1829 at Indiana, and resided in 1850 at Harrison Township, Henry County, Indiana.

ii. Martha McCormack

Martha McCormack was a daughter of Abraham McCormack and Judith (Palmore) McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3], Abraham[4])

The Virginia Origins Of A Smith County, Tennessee, McCormack Family by Betty Butler Ravenholt stated that Martha McCormack was a daughter of Abraham McCormack and Judith (Palmore) McCormack, was born about 1832 at Indiana, and resided in 1850 at Harrison Township, Henry County, Indiana.

iii. Cynthia McCormack

Cynthia McCormack was a daughter of Abraham McCormack and Judith (Palmore) McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3], Abraham[4])

The Virginia Origins Of A Smith County, Tennessee, McCormack Family by Betty Butler Ravenholt stated that Cynthia McCormack was a daughter of Abraham McCormack and Judith (Palmore) McCormack, was born about 1834 at Indiana, and resided in 1850 at Harrison Township, Henry County, Indiana.

iv. Barbara McCormack

Barbara McCormack was a daughter of Abraham McCormack and Judith (Palmore) McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3], Abraham[4])

The Virginia Origins Of A Smith County, Tennessee, McCormack Family by Betty Butler Ravenholt stated that Barbara McCormack was a daughter of Abraham McCormack and Judith (Palmore) McCormack, was born about 1835 at Indiana, and resided in 1850 at Harrison Township, Henry County, Indiana.

v. Nancy McCormack

Nancy McCormack was a daughter of Abraham McCormack and Judith (Palmore) McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3], Abraham[4])

The Virginia Origins Of A Smith County, Tennessee, McCormack Family by Betty Butler Ravenholt stated that Nancy McCormack was a daughter of Abraham McCormack and Judith (Palmore) McCormack, was born about 1838 at Indiana, and resided in 1850 at Harrison Township, Henry County, Indiana.

vi. Enoch McCormack

Enoch McCormack was a son of Abraham McCormack and Judith (Palmore) McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3], Abraham[4])

The Virginia Origins Of A Smith County, Tennessee, McCormack Family by Betty Butler Ravenholt stated that Enoch McCormack was a son of Abraham McCormack and

Judith (Palmore) McCormack, was born about 1839 at Indiana, and resided in 1850 at Harrison Township, Henry County, Indiana.

vii. William McCormack

William McCormack was a son of Abraham McCormack and Judith (Palmore) McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3], Abraham[4])

The Virginia Origins Of A Smith County, Tennessee, McCormack Family by Betty Butler Ravenholt stated that William McCormack was a son of Abraham McCormack and Judith (Palmore) McCormack, was born about 1841 at Indiana, and resided in 1850 at Harrison Township, Henry County, Indiana.

viii. Mary McCormack

Mary McCormack was a daughter of Abraham McCormack and Judith (Palmore) McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3], Abraham[4])

The Virginia Origins Of A Smith County, Tennessee, McCormack Family by Betty Butler Ravenholt stated that Mary McCormack was a daughter of Abraham McCormack and Judith (Palmore) McCormack, was born about 1842 at Indiana, and resided in 1850 at Harrison Township, Henry County, Indiana.

ix. Minerva McCormack

Minerva McCormack was a daughter of Abraham McCormack and Judith (Palmore) McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3], Abraham[4])

The Virginia Origins Of A Smith County, Tennessee, McCormack Family by Betty Butler Ravenholt stated that Minerva McCormack was a daughter of Abraham McCormack and Judith (Palmore) McCormack, was born about 1844 at Indiana, and resided in 1850 at Harrison Township, Henry County, Indiana.

x. Tilghman McCormack

Tilghman McCormack was a son of Abraham McCormack and Judith (Palmore) McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3], Abraham[4])

The Virginia Origins Of A Smith County, Tennessee, McCormack Family by Betty Butler Ravenholt stated that Tilghman McCormack was a son of Abraham McCormack and Judith (Palmore) McCormack, was born about 1848 at Indiana, and resided in 1850 at Harrison Township, Henry County, Indiana.

e. Frances (McCormack) Showalters And Her Husband Abraham Showalters

Frances (McCormack) Showalters was a daughter of Judith (Wright) McCormack and William McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3])

The marriage bond of Abraham Showalters and Frances McCormack was dated on February 11, 1802, at Franklin County, Virginia, with William McCormack as surety. If Frances Wright was at least 16 years of age at the time of her marriage, her date of birth would be probably before 1787, which is before the date of the marriage bond of William McCormack and Judith (Wright) McCormack. The date of the Showalters' marriage bond may be in error.

The complaint dated June 30, 1831, in Bedford County, Virginia, Chancery Court File 320 listed Frances (McCormack) Showalters, the wife of Abraham Showalters, as an heir of William McCormack:

> ". . . . Shortly after which sd. Wm. McCormack departed this life intestate leaving little or no personal property that your orators could ever ascertain but seized & possessed of a tract of land of ___ acres more or less situated lying & being on Gills Creek or [unreadable] in Franklin County bought of one Armstrong Hale some 40 years ago which land is probably worth some five six or eight hundred dollars and also leaving a widow by name Judith McComack and the following children to wit. John McComack Anderson McComack Right McComack William McComack Abraham McComack Nancy McComack Polly McComack and two daughters to wit Frances who intermarried with Abraham ____ with Michael Hutts . . . ."

On January 26, 1835, Matthew Wright in Bedford County, Virginia, Chancery Court File 320 testified that Abraham Showalters and Frances (McCormack) Showalters were then residing outside of Virginia.

The Virginia Origins Of A Smith County, Tennessee, McCormack Family by Betty Butler Ravenholt stated that Frances McCormack was a daughter of Judith (Wright)

McCormack and William McCormack, was born in about 1798 at Virginia, married Abraham Showalter on January 12, 1802, at Franklin County, Virginia, but that such a marriage date seemed too early for a daughter whose parents married in 1791.

f. William McCormack

William McCormack was a son of Judith (Wright) McCormack and William McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3])

The Virginia Origins Of A Smith County, Tennessee, McCormack Family by Betty Butler Ravenholt stated that the 1820 Census for Smith County, Tennessee, listed a William McOrmac with five slaves and that the 1830 Census for Smith County, Tennessee, listed William McCormick with the following household:

Males	Aged	Females	Aged
1	20-30	1	40-50
1	10-15	1	20-30
1	0-5	2	15-20

The complaint date June 30, 1831, in Bedford County, Virginia, Chancery Court File 320 listed Abraham McCormack as an heir of William McCormack:

> ". . . . Shortly after which sd. Wm. McCormack departed this life intestate leaving little or no personal property that your orators could ever ascertain but seized & possessed of a tract of land of ___ acres more or less situated lying & being on Gills Creek or [unreadable] in Franklin County bought of one Armstrong Hale some 40 years ago which land is probably worth some five six or eight hundred dollars and also leaving a widow by name Judith McComack and the following children to wit. John McComack Anderson McComack Right McComack William McComack Abraham McComack Nancy McComack Polly McComack and two daughters to wit Frances who intermarried with Abraham ____ with Michael Hutts . . . ."

On January 26, 1835, Matthew Wright in Bedford County, Virginia, Chancery Court File 320 testified that William McCormack was then residing outside of Virginia.

The Virginia Origins Of A Smith County, Tennessee, McCormack Family by Betty Butler Ravenholt stated that William McCormack was a son of Judith (Wright) McCormack and William McCormack, was born about 1800, that in September 1839 at Smith County, Tennessee, D.B. P/231 William McCormack and John N.

Rhodes deeded 68-1/2 acres of land in Smith County, Tennessee, to Judy McCormack, that on January 1, 1840, at Smith County, Tennessee, D.B. P/263 William McCormack sold 5 acres of land to Andrew McClellan, and that on April 16, 1841, at Smith County, Tennessee, D.B. Q/122 William McCormack sold 271 acres of land to Israel McClellin, and that History of the McCormacks by Lucy Dee Evetts stated that:

"I cannot tell you how many children they had but during the Civil War, William McCormack wrote his sister, Polly . . . . a letter telling her that he was well, he had three sons and had real good crops . . . . I read the above mention letter over at [Mettye] Owen's house . . . . William McCormack had gone west to St. Louis, Missouri."

The Virginia Origins Of A Smith County, Tennessee, McCormack Family also stated that on November 29, 1849, at Smith County, Tennessee, Circuit Court the following decree was entered:

"Whereas heretofore on the 29th April 1846 a decree was rendered in the Circuit Court of Smith County in favor of Mary Woodcock, Abraham McCormack, Norris Rodes and wife, Michael Hutts & wife, Right McCormack against William McCormack, Alfred Cauld & William Craighead for three hundred and seven dollars 0/100 after which decree applies & motion upon & from said Court on 15 January 1847 which on the same day came to hand of John Bailey, Sheriff of Smith County and was there livered in all the right title & interest of said William McCormack in and to a tract of land lying in Smith County on the waters of Buffalo Creek containing one hundred & fifty one acres more or less and being the same on which Mary Woodcock then lived Bounded by the lands of Nathan Kent, John Haywood Franklin, Henry Franklin, Joseph Meadow, Israel McClelelin, and Samuel McClelelin, land lived upon as the property of said William McCormack and whereas also said Sheriff duly returned said writ endorsed stating that after giving 40 days notice by advertising at the Court House in Carthage, at Dixon Springs, West Springs, and at Richardsonville and also after giving the parties in papers 20 days notice in writing said sheriff sold said tract of land at the Court House door at Carthage. It being William McCormack's undivided interest on 22nd day of March 1847 when and where Mary Woodcock by her agent, Israel McClelin became the purchaser at the price of forty dollars and it appearing that no deed was made by John Bailey for said land during his continuance in said office of sheriff therefore thus and made this 29th day of November, eighteen hundred and forty nine between John Bridges sheriff of Smith County and successor in office to said John Bailey after one part and said Mary Woocock of the other part whereupon that in consideration of the promised and said sum of forty dollars to be paid for said land by law transfer

according to law (to) Mary Woodcock all the right, title, claim and interest of said William McCormack in and to said tract of land so said appearing as aforesaid and situated and bounded as aforesaid to have and to hold to said Mary Woodcock her heirs and assigns forever in a full and ample manner to said John Bridges, as sheriff as aforesaid cause ____ but no farther or otherwise by Testimony of said John Bridges, sheriff as aforesaid here unto has set his hand and seal to the last mentioned court 29th November 1849.

John Bridges
Sheriff Smith County"

g. John W. McCormack, His Wife Susannah (Dowdy) McCormack, And His Descendants

John McCormack was a son of Judith (Wright) McCormack and William McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3])

The marriage bond of John W. McCormack and Susannah Dowdy, daughter of Ezekiel and Jane, was dated on November 19, 1823, at Franklin County, Virginia, with James Dowdy as surety. If John W. McCormack was at least 16 years of age at the time of his marriage, then his date of birth would be probably before 1808.

The complaint dated June 30, 1831, in Bedford County, Virginia, Chancery Court File 320 listed John McCormack as one of the children of William McCormack:

". . . . Shortly after which sd. Wm. McCormack departed this life intestate leaving little or no personal property that your orators could ever ascertain but seized & possessed of a tract of land of ___ acres more or less situated lying & being on Gills Creek or [unreadable] in Franklin County bought of one Armstrong Hale some 40 years ago which land is probably worth some five six or eight hundred dollars and also leaving a widow by name Judith McComack and the following children to wit. John McComack Anderson McComack Right McComack William McComack Abraham McComack Nancy McComack Polly McComack and two daughters to wit Frances who intermarried with Abraham ____ with Michael Hutts . . . ."

On January 26, 1835, Matthew Wright in Bedford County, Virginia, Chancery Court File 320 testified that John McCormack was then residing outside of Virginia.

In her email dated September 4, 1997, Linda Cunningham stated that John W. McCormack was born on February 5, 1801, and married Susannah Dowdy on November 19, 1823, that Susannah (Dowdy) McCormack was born on January 22,

1807, and died on August 22, 1886, and that John W. McCormack and Susannah ((Dowdy) McCormack had the following children:

1) Allen McCormack, born about 1825,
2) Jubal Wright McCormack, born on October 29, 1829,
3) Emily (McCormack) Dowdy, born in 1830,
4) Mary Jane (McCormack) Shultz, born on July 30, 1832,
5) Delilah (McCormack) McDaniel, born on November 25, 1835,
6) Priscilla (McCormack) Canterberry, born in 1838,
7) Nancy Marinda (McCormack) Wickline, born June 17, 1840,
8) Minerva (McCormack) (Foster) Fry, born on April 9, 1842, and
9) John Robert McCormack, born on February 24, 1846.

The Virginia Origins Of A Smith County, Tennessee, McCormack Family by Betty Butler Ravenholt stated that John W. McCormack was a son of Judith (Wright) McCormack and William McCormack, was born on February 5, 1801, at Hanover or Bedford County, Virginia, married Susannah Dowdy on November 19, 1823, at Franklin County, Virginia, and that John W. McCormack and Susannah (Dowdy) McCormack had the following child:

1) Mary Jane (McCormack) Shultz, born on July 30, 1832, at Franklin County, Virginia.

In her email dated September 10, 1999, Sam Murphy enclosed family group sheets which stated that John W. McCormack was a son of Judith (Wright) McCormack and William McCormack, was born on February 5, 1801, married Susannah Dowdy on November 19, 1823, at Rocky Mount, Franklin County, Virginia, and resided in 1840 at Monroe County, Virginia (now West Virginia), that Susannah (Dowdy) McCormack was born about 1803 and died on April 12, 1892, at Cadiz, Henry County, Indiana, and that John W. McCormack and Suxannah (Dowdy) McCormack had the following children:

1) Mary Jane (McCormick) Shultz,
2) Allen McCormick,
3) Jubal Wright McCormick, born about 1832 at Franklin County, Virginia,
4) Emily (McCormick) Dowdy,

5) Delilah (McCormick) McDaniel,

6) Priscilla (McCormick Canterberry, born in 1838,

7) Nancy Marinda (McCormick) Wickline, born on June 17, 1840,

8) Manerva (McCormick) (Foster) Fry, born about 1844, and

9) John Robert McCormick, born about 1848.

i. Allen McCormack And His Wife Sarah Agnes (Alford) McCormack

Allen McCormack was a son of John W. McCormack and Susannah (Dowdy) McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3], John W.[4])

In her email dated September 4, 1997, Linda Cunningham stated that Allen McCormack was a son of John W. McCormack and Susannah (Dowdy) McCormack, was born about 1825, and married Sarah Agnes Alford on March 22, 1852.

In her email dated September 10, 1999, Sam Murphy enclosed family group sheets which stated that Allen McCormick was a son of John W. McCormack and Susannah (Dowdy) McCormack and married Sarah Agnes Alford.

ii. Jubal Wright McCormack, His Wife Sarah Jane (Warren) McCormack, And His Descendants

Jubal Wright McCormack was a son of John W. McCormack and Susannah (Dowdy) McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3], John W.[4])

22nd Virginia Infantry by Terry D. Lowry stated that J. W. McCormick enlisted on possibly May 1, 1862, at White Sulphur Springs, Greenbrier County, Virginia, in Company F, 22nd Virginia Infantry, as a 2nd Lieutenant, was at home sick at Potts Creek, Virginia, on October 31, 1862, was promoted to 1st Lieutenant on February 4, 1863, and was present on February 28, 1863.

On March 11, 1865, at Craig County, Virginia, D.B. B/2 Jube McCormack purchased the interest of Virginia C. Warren in the estates of her father James Warren, her mother Lydia Warren of Alleghany County, and of her grandfather James Wiley:

> "This Deed made the eleventh day of March in the year One Thousand eight hundred and Sixty five Between Virginia C. Waren of the County of Craig and

State of Virginia of the one part and Jube McOrmack of the County and State aforesaid of the other part, Witnesseth, that in consideration of the sum of Three Hundred Dollars, The said Virginia C. Waren do grant unto the said Jube McOrmack all her interest in the real estate of her Father James Waren decd, and her mother Lyddia Waren decd. late of the County of Alleghany & State aforesaid and also any interest that is now or may hereafter be hers in her Grand Father Wileys decd. Est. said interest being derived in right of her Father James Waren decd & her mother Lyddia Waren decd. & her Grand Father James Wiley decd. The interest intended to be conveyed being the entire and undivided interest of her Father James Waren decd. & her Mother Lyddia Waren decd. late of the County of Alleghany & State aforesaid & of her Grand Father James Wiley of the County of Craig & State aforesaid. And the said Virginia C. Waren do covenant that she will warrant generally the interest hereby Conveyed. Witnesseth the following Signature & seal

Memo. The words "her Father over the ninth line from the interlined before signing.

Virginia C. Waren

State of Virginia
County of Craig to Wit.

I John S. Cale a Justice of the Peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do certify that Virginia C. Waren whose are Signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the Eleventh day of March 1865 have acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand this 11th day of March 1865.

John S Cate JP"

On November 19, 1866, at Craig County, Virginia, D.B. B/32 Jubal W. McCormack purchased the interest of Martha A. Warren in the estates of her father James Warren, her mother Lydia Warren of Alleghany County, her grandfather James Wiley, and her grandmother Sarah Wiley:

"This Deed made the 19th day of November in the year 1866. Between, Martha A. Waren of the County of Craig and State of Virginia of the One part and Jubal W. McOrmack of the County and State aforesaid of the other part: Witnesseth, that in consideration of the sum of three Hundred dollars the said Martha A. Waren doth grant unto the said Jubal W. McOrmack, all her right title and interest in and to the Real estate lying and being in the Counties of Craig and Alleghany on the waters of Potts Creek, devised from her father James Waren

decd. and inherited from her Mother Lyddia Waren decd. late of the County of Alleghany and State of Virginia. And also any interest that is now or may hereafter be hers in her Grandfather, James Wiley Decd. and her Grandmother Sarah Wileys estate said interest being inherited by the said Martha A Waren through her father & Mother, James & Lyddia Waren both decd. from her grandfather the said James Wiley Decd. The said Martha A. Warren doth covenant, that she will warrant generally the property hereby conveyed. Witness the following signature and seal

Martha A. Warren

State of Virginia
Craig County to wit:

I, John S. Cate a Justice of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia, do Certify that Martha A. Waren, whose name is signed to the writing hereto annexed, bearing date on the 19th day of November 1866 has acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand this 22nd day of November 1866

John S. Cate J.P.

In Craig County Court Clerks Office November 24th 1866

This Deed was this day exhibited in said Office which together with the Certificate of acknowledgement written thereon and being stamped as the law requires is admitted to record

Teste
M. L. Given DC"

The 1870 Census for Craig County, Virginia, which listed Jubal W. McCormick with the following household:

The name of every person whose place of abode on the first day of June 1870 was in this family	Dependants: Age at last birthday If under 1 year give months in fractions thus 1/12	Dependants: Sex Male (M) Female (F)	Dependants: Color White (W) Black (B) Mulatto (M) Chinese (C) Indian (I)
Jubal W McOrmick	40	M	W
Sarah J McOrmick	30	F	W
Wright McOrmick	12	M	W
James W McOrmick	8	M	W
Robert McOrmick	6	M	W
Eliza A E McOrmick	4	F	W
Eddy W McOrmick	2	F	W
Virginia C Wearren	32	F	W
Wm B McCaleb	18	M	W
John W McCartney	28	M	W
James W Marshall	40	M	W
St. Geo T Brook	24	M	W
Wm M Goode	30	M	W

Profession, Occupation or Trade of each person male or female	Value of Real Estate	Value of Personal Estate	Place of birth _____ of foreign birth
Ordinary Keeper	3300	800	Virginia
			Virginia
			Virginia
			Virginia
			Virginia
			Virginia
			Virginia
			Virginia
Clerk in Hotel			Virginia
Merchant			Virginia
Lawyer			Virginia
Lawyer			Virginia
Deputy Clerk			Virginia

On October 29, 1872, at Craig County, Virginia, D.B. B/516 Jubal W. McCormick, acted as trustee on a deed of trust executed by Michael Surface to secure a debt due to Jacob F. Sibald.

On December 27, 1873, at Craig County, Virginia, D.B. B/598 Jubal W. McCormack purchased 566 acres of land from William A. and Fannie B. Waugh:

> "This Deed made this 27th Day of December 1873 between William A Waugh & Fannie B his wife of the One part and Jubal W. McOrmack of the Other part all of the County of Craig and State of Virginia. Witnesseth, That in Consideration of the sum of Four thousand five hundred dollars, One thousand Dollars part thereof in hand paid by the said J W McOrmack the receipt whereof is hereby Acknowledged, Five hundred dollars due and payable on the 1st day of March 1874, One thousand five hundred dollars due and payable On the 1st day of October 1874, and One thousand five hundred dollars the residue thereof due and payable on the 1st day of October 1875. The said William A Waugh and Fannie B his wife do grant unto the said Jubal W. McOrmack, with General Warranty, All their right title and interest in and to a certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in the County aforesaid on Craigs Creek and Johns Creek Adjoining the lands of E B Wagener Melissa Caldwell & others, the said tract is made up of Several tracts to Wit - the tract on which his Dwelling house and Mills are erected, the tract entered by James A Eads, the tract Conveyed by D A. Snow and a tract of One hundred and twenty six Acres. And Containing by survey made by E. B. Wagener Surveyor of Craig County (for Jacob Amen) Five hundred and sixty six acres, except three & a half acres sold by said Jacob Amen to Zidekiah Wilson. And reserved by him in the sale to said Waugh For Metes and bounds reference is made, to the plat of survey made by said Wagener for said Amen which he was to furnish to said Waugh and which was to be considered as part of the Deed from Amen to Waugh, and is referred to for the Metes and bounds of this Deed.
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> But it is Covenanted and agreed between the parties that the said William A Waugh doth hereby retain a a lien on the property intended to be Conveyed by this deed to Secure the payment of the purchase money for the land. To Wit ($500.) Five hundred dollars & payable On the 1st day of March 1874 ($1500.) Fifteen hundred dollars due and payable on the 1st day of October 1874 and ($1500) due and payable on the 1st day of October 1875
>
> Witness the following Signatures and Seal
>
> Wm A Waugh
> Fannie B. Waugh"

On July 6, 1874, at Craig County, Virginia, D.B. B/631 Jubal W. McCormack and Sarah J. McCormack sold the 566 acres of land land purchased by Deed B/598 to Noah A. Moses:

> "This Deed made and entered into this 6" day of July 1874 Between Jubal W McOrmack and Sarah J McOrmack his wife of the County of Craig and State of Virginia of the first part and Noah A Moses of the County of Pittsylvania and State aforesaid of the second part, Witnesseth: That for and in Consideration of the Sum of Five Thousand Dollars, to be paid as follows to Wit: One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars Cash in hand paid by the said Noah A Moses to the said McOrmack & wife the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, Five Hundred dollars to be paid on the 8" day of July 1874 which five hundred dollars is to be paid to William A Waugh in full Satisfaction of a five Hundred dollar bond executed by said Jubal W McOrmack to Said Wm A Waugh and due and payable on this 1st day of March 1874 Fifteen Hundred dollars to be paid on the 1st day October 1874 the said Fifteen Hundred dollars Consisting of four bonds executed by said McOrmack to said Waugh for land, also bond of Five Hundred dollars held by the said Noah A Moses which was assigned him by Wm A Waugh. The remaining One Thousand dollars is made up of three bonds, and held by said William A Waugh One by William C Mann and the other the residue of the $1500 above referred to held held by Madison Givens the said bond to be paid to the holders at maturity, Fifteen Hundred dollars to be paid on the 1st day of October 1875 Said Fifteen Hundred dollars to be paid to said Wm A Waugh in full Satisfaction of a bond executed by Jubal W McOrmack to Said Wm A Waugh it being the residue and last payment due on the land intended to be Conveyed to said N. A Moses by this Deed. The said Jubal W McOrmack and Sarah J his wife do grant unto the said Noah A Moses with general warranty all their right title and interest in and to a certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in the County of Craig and State of Virginia on Craigs Creek and Johns Creek and adjoining the land of E B Wagener Malissa Caldwell & others and Conveyed to the said J W McOrmack & wife by William A. Waugh & wife by deed bearing date on the 27" day of December 1873, and made up of Several tracts to wit: the tract on which his dwelling house and Mills are erected, the tract entered by James A Eads, the tract conveyed by D A Snow and a tract of one hundred and twenty Six acres, and Containing by Survey made by E B Wagener Surveyor of Craig County (for Jacob Amen from whom Wm A Waugh purchased the said land) Five Hundred and Sixty Six acres, except 3-1/2 acres Sold by said Jacob Amen to Zedikiah Wilson & and reserved by him in the sale to said Waugh for metes and bounds of the land hereby Conveyed reference is made to the platt of Survey made by said Wagener for said Amen, which he was to furnish to said Waugh and was to be Considered a part of the Deed from Amen to Waugh and is referred to for the metes and bounds of this Deed.

But it is Covenanted and agreed between the parties that the said J W McOrmack doth hereby retain a lien on the property hereby Conveyed to secure the deferred payments set up in this Deed, and it is further Covenanted and agreed between the parties that the said N A Moses Shall have quiet, peaceable and full possession of the property hereby Conveyed on the 1st day of November 1874

Witness the following Signatures & seals

J W McOrmack
Sarah J McOrmack

____ writing bearing date on the 6" day of July 1874 personally appeared before me in my County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be their act and deed, And I further Certify that the said Sarah J McOrmack the wife of the said Jubal W McOrmack personally appeared before me and being examined by me privily and apart from her husband and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her, she the said Sarah J McCormack declared that she willingly executed the same, and does not wish to retract it

Given under my hand this 6" day of July 1874

James F Martin clerk

Craig County Court Clerk's Office July 10" 1874

This deed was this day presented in said Office and being duly Certified is admitted to Record

Teste
Jas P Martin Clk"

On September 9, 1874, at Craig County, Virginia, D.B. B/650 filed his homestead exemption:

"This Deed made this 9th day of September in the year 1874 by Jubal W McOrmack a Householder and head of a family of the County of Craig and State of Virginia, Witnesseth that the said Jubal W McOrmack in Virtue of an act of the General Assembly of Virginia approved June 27" 1870, and entitled "an act to prescribe in what manner, and on what Conditions a House holder or head of a family shall set apart and hold a homestead and personal property for the benefit of himself and family exempt from Sale or Levy for Debt" doth hereby declare his intention to Claim the full benefit of a Homestead exempt from Levy Seizure Guarnisheeing or Sale, in the following property to wit 1 Tract or parcel of land

lying on Potts Creek in said County at $800.00 Known as part of the "Waren Land" 2 Horses Valued at $150. 1 Milch cow $15.00 1 yearling at $7.00 House hold and Kitchen furniture $200.00 18 head of hogs $25.00 1 Wagon at $40.00 Growing Crop of Corn $50.00 one half bond on Henry Walker for $170. and the interest accrued thereon, one bond on Lucinda Waren for $18.75 and Judgement on the Estate of John W B Owen Decd assigned me by Adam Sugar for good Consideration and any other Solvent claim due me to the amt: of my $2000. homestead

Witness the following Signature & Seal

J W Mcormack

In Craig County Court Clerk's Office September 9" 1874

This Homestead Deed was this day presented in said office and duly Sworn to by Jubal W Mcormack & acknowledged, the party thereto and thereupon the said writing is admitted to Record

Teste
J P Martin clerk"

The 1880 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, which listed J. W. McCormick, Sr., with the following household:

Name	Color	Sex	Age	Rela-tionship	Marital Status Single	Married
J W McCormick Sr	W	M	55			1
Sallie McCormick	W	F	43	Wife		1
J W McCormick Jr	W	M	24	Son	1	
James W McCormick	W	M	20	Son	1	
Robert McCormick	W	M	17	Son	1	
Anne McCormick	W	F	14	Daughter	1	
Edmonia McCormick	W	F	12	Daughter	1	
William McCormick	W	M	9	Son	1	
Myrtle McCormick	W	F	6	Daughter	1	
Emma McCormick	W	F	3	Daughter	1	
Sophia Fuqua	B	M	35	Servant	1	

Occupation	Born	Father Born	Mother Born
Farmer	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
Keeps house	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
Book Keeper	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
Butcher	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
At School	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
at School	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
at School	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
Cook	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia

On October 21, 1880, at Craig County, Virginia, D.B. C/349 Jubal W. McCormack and Sarah McCormack sold all of their interest in the land of James Warren, Lydia Warren, and James Wiley:

"This deed made this the 21" day of October 1880 between Jubal W McCormick and Sarah his wife of Bedford County Va of the first part and Thomas D Kyle of Alleghany County Va of the second part Wittnesseth that the said parties of the first part for and in consideration of the Sum of three hundred dollars, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath bargained and sold and by these present do grant and convey with general warranty unto the Said party of the second part their entire interest of everything held by them either jointly or Severally, in the real estate of James Warren and Lydia his Wife both deceased, both of Alleghany County Va and in the real estate of James Wiley deceased, late of Craig County Va. The interests thus Conveyed being the entire undivided interest of Sarah, Wife of Jubal W McCormack, a party of the first part derived as an heir to the real estate of the said James Waren and Lydia his wife both deceased (her father and Mother) and as an heir to the real estate of said James Wiley dec'd her grandfather and the Contingent right of dower of said Sarah, wife as aforesaid in two other undivided interest in the said real estate, which were heretofore Sold and Conveyed to said Jubal W McCormack by Virginia O Waren and by Martha Waren also like heirs of said James Waren and Lydia his wife both deceased and of said James Wiley deceased.

Given under our hands and Seals this the day and year above Written.

Words "with general warranty" interlined before signing

J W McCormick
Sarah J McCormick

State of Virginia)
Bedford County) Viz

I J E Wharton a Notary Public in and for the County aforesaid do certify that this day personally appeared before me in my County and State aforesaid Jubal W McCormick and Sarah his wife whose names are Signed to the writing above, and acknowledged the same to be their deed - and the said Sarah, wife of said Jubal W McCormack, being examined by me privily and apart from her husband and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her declared she had willingly executed the same and does not wish to retract it.

Given under my hand this the 21st day of October 1880

J. E. Wharton N.P.

In Craig County Court Clerks office January 7th 1881

This deed of bargain and Sale from J. W. McOrmack and wife to Thomas D Kyle was this day filed in Said office and having the Certificaate of Acknowledgment written thereon is admitted to record

Teste
J. F. Givens DC"

In her email dated September 4, 1997, Linda Cunningham stated that Jubal Wright McCormack was a son of John W. McCormack and Susannah (Dowdy) McCormack, was born on October 29, 1829, married Sarah Jane Warren on March 14, 1861, and died on January 29, 1890.

In her email dated September 10, 1999, Sam Murphy enclosed family group sheets which stated that Jubal Wright McCormick was a son of John W. McCormack and Susannah (Dowdy) McCormack, was born about 1832 at Franklin County, Virginia, married Sarah Jane Warren on March 14, 1861, at Alleghany County, Virginia, was a cabinet maker, was a lieutenant in the Rocky Point Greys, a Monroe County company in the 22nd Virginia Infantry, and was known as the toughest officer of the regiment, ready for any kind of daredevil work or a rough job, was a physically perfect specimen, known for his fighting ability at all times, operated the hotel at New Castle, was sheriff of Craig County from 1868 to 1872, moved in 1881 to Guyandotte (now Huntington), West Virginia, to become proprietor of the National Hotel, and then returned to Craig County,

that Sarah Jane (Warren) McCormick was born in 1839 at Virginia, and that Jubal Wright McCormick and Sarah Jane (Warren) McCormick had the following children:

1) Jubal Wright McCormick, Jr., born in 1857,

2) Wright McCormick, born in 1858 at Virginia,

3) James Warren McCormick, born on January 11, 1862, at Craig or Alleghany County, Virginia,

4) Robert McCormick, born in 1864 at Virginia,

5) Eliza A. E. McCormick, born in 1866 at Virginia, and

6) Eddy W. McCormick, born in 1868 at Virginia.

In his email dated September 25, 1999, Charles E. Rogan stated that Jubal Wright McCormick was a keeper of an ordinary in 1866, resided in 1870 at Newcastle, Craig County, Virginia, and that Jubal Wright McCormick and Sarah Jane (Warren) McCormick had the following child:

1) Eliza Anna Ernest (McCormick) Rogan, born on August 28, 1866, at Newcastle, Craig County, Virginia.

iii. <u>Emily (McCormack) Dowdy And Her Husband Joel Dowdy</u>

Emily (McCormack) Dowdy was a daughter of John W. McCormack and Susannah (Dowdy) McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3], John W.[4])

In her email dated September 4, 1997, Linda Cunningham stated that Emily McCormack was a daughter of John W. McCormack and Susannah (Dowdy) McCormack, was born in 1830, and married Joel Dowdy on April 12, 1854.

In her email dated September 10, 1999, Sam Murphy enclosed family group sheets which stated that Emily McCormick was a daughter of John W. McCormack and Susannah (Dowdy) McCormack and married Joel Dowdy.

iv. Mary Jane (McCormack) Shultz, Her Husband Jacob Pence Shultz, And Her Descendants

Mary Jane (McCormack) Shultz was a daughter of John W. McCormack and Susannah (Dowdy) McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3], John W.[4])

In her email dated September 4, 1997, Linda Cunningham stated that Mary Jane McCormack was a daughter of John W. McCormack and Susannah (Dowdy) McCormack, was born on July 30, 1832, married Jacob Pence Shultz on November 20, 1850, and died on November 8, 1919, that Jacob Pence Shultz was born on October 11, 1825, resided in 1880 at Monroe County, West Virginia, and died on September 22, 1897, and that Mary Jane (McCormack) Shultz and Jacob Pence Shultz had the following children:

1) James Henry Shultz, born on April 2, 1853,
2) George Washington Shultz, born on July 17, 1855,
3) Laura Ann (Shultz) Broyles, born in 1857,
4) Mary Jane (Shultz) Warren, born on October 25, 1861,
5) Selena Ann (Shultz) Underwood, born on November 27, 1863,
6) Rosa Virginia (Shultz) Heavener, born April 3, 1866,
7) Susan Florence (Shultz) Davidson, born on August 17, 1868,
8) Phineous Lee Shultz, born on May 16, 1871, and
9) Addarenah Ellen (Shultz) Byrd, born about 1875.

The Virginia Origins Of A Smith County, Tennessee, McCormack Family by Betty Butler Ravenholt stated that Mary Jane McCormack was a daughter of John W. McCormack and Susannah (Dowdy) McCormack, was born on July 30, 1832, at Franklin County, Virginia, married Jacob Pence Shultz on November 20, 1850, died on November 8, 1919, and was buried at Shultz Family Cemetery, Monroe County, West Virginia.

In her email dated September 10, 1999, Sam Murphy enclosed family group sheets which stated that Mary Jane McCormick was a daughter of John W. McCormack and Susannah (Dowdy) McCormack and married Joab Pence Shultz.

v. Delilah (McCormack) McDaniel And Her Husband Lewis McDaniel

Delilah (McCormack) McDaniel was a daughter of John W. McCormack and Susannah (Dowdy) McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3], John W.[4])

In her email dated September 4, 1997, Linda Cunningham stated that Delilah McCormack was a daughter of John W. McCormack and Susannah (Dowdy) McCormack, was born on November 25, 1835, married Lewis McDaniel on November 20, 1856, and died on June 1, 1924.

In her email dated September 10, 1999, Sam Murphy enclosed family group sheets which stated that Delilah McCormick was a daughter of John W. McCormack and Susannah (Dowdy) McCormack and married Lewis McDaniel.

vi. Priscilla (McCormack) Canterberry And Her Husband Joshua Canterberry

Priscilla (McCormack) Canterberry was a daughter of John W. McCormack and Susannah (Dowdy) McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3], John W.[4])

In her email dated September 4, 1997, Linda Cunningham stated that Priscilla McCormack was a daughter of John W. McCormack and Susannah (Dowdy) McCormack, was born in 1838, married Joshua Canterberry on March 12, 1855, and died on February 3, 1904.

In her email dated September 10, 1999, Sam Murphy enclosed family group sheets which stated that Priscilla McCormick was a daughter of John W. McCormack and Susannah (Dowdy) McCormack, was born in 1838, married Joshua Canterberry on March 12, 1855, and died on February 3, 1904.

vii. Nancy Marinda (McCormack) Wickline And Her Husband John L. Wickline

Nancy Marinda (McCormack) Wickline was a daughter of John W. McCormack and Susannah (Dowdy) McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3], John W.[4])

In her email dated September 4, 1997, Linda Cunningham stated that Nancy Marinda McCormack was a daughter of John W. McCormack and Susannah (Dowdy) McCormack, was born on June 17, 1840, married John L. Wickline on August 3, 1865, and died on August 12, 1935.

In her email dated September 10, 1999, Sam Murphy enclosed family group sheets which stated that Nancy Marinda McCormick was a daughter of John W. McCormack and Susannah (Dowdy) McCormack, was born on June 17, 1840, married John I. Wickline on August 3, 1865, and died on August 12, 1935.

viii. Minerva (McCormack) (Foster) Fry And Her Husbands George W. Foster And Jehu Fry

Minerva (McCormack) (Foster) Fry was a daughter of John W. McCormack and Susannah (Dowdy) McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3], John W.[4])

In her email dated September 4, 1997, Linda Cunningham stated that Minerva McCormack was a daughter of John W. McCormack and Susannah (Dowdy) McCormack, was born on April 9, 1842, married first George W. Foster on February 5, 1860, and married second Jehu Fry.

In her email dated September 10, 1999, Sam Murphy enclosed family group sheets which stated that Manerva McCormick was a daughter of John W. McCormack and Susannah (Dowdy) McCormack, was born about 1844, married first George W. Foster, and married second Jehu Fry.

ix. John Robert McCormack And His Wives Martha Cass (Neal) McCormack, Pauline M. (Raines) McCormack, And Virginia M. Shires

John Robert McCormack was a son of John W. McCormack and Susannah (Dowdy) McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3], John W.[4])

In her email dated September 4, 1997, Linda Cunningham stated that John Robert McCormack was a son of John W. McCormack and Susannah (Dowdy)

McCormack, was born on February 24, 1846, married first Martha Cass Neal, married second Pauline M. Raines, and married third Virginia M. Shires.

In her email dated September 10, 1999, Sam Murphy enclosed family group sheets which stated that John Robert McCormick was a son of John W. McCormack and Susannah (Dowdy) McCormack, was born about 1848, married first Martha Cass Neal, and married second Pauline M. Raines, and married third Virginia M. Shires and that John Robert McCormick was a renegade who just about broke up the family when he killed Dr. Dunn in a fight at a dance when Dunn insulted a sister.

h. Nancy (McCormack) Rhodes And Her Husband John Norris Rhodes Or Rodes

Nancy (McCormack) Rhodes was a daughter of Judith (Wright) McCormack and William McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3])

The complaint dated June 30, 1831, in Bedford County, Virginia, Chancery Court File 320 listed Nancy McCormack as an heir of William McCormack:

> ". . . . Shortly after which sd. Wm. McCormack departed this life intestate leaving little or no personal property that your orators could ever ascertain but seized & possessed of a tract of land of ___ acres more or less situated lying & being on Gills Creek or [unreadable] in Franklin County bought of one Armstrong Hale some 40 years ago which land is probably worth some five six or eight hundred dollars and also leaving a widow by name Judith McComack and the following children to wit. John McComack Anderson McComack Right McComack William McComack Abraham McComack Nancy McComack Polly McComack and two daughters to wit Frances who intermarried with Abraham ____ with Michael Hutts . . . ."

On January 26, 1835, Matthew Wright in Bedford County, Virginia, Chancery Court File 320 testified that Nancy McCormack was then residing outside of Virginia.

The Virginia Origins Of A Smith County, Tennessee, McCormack Family by Betty Butler Ravenholt stated that Nancy McCormack was a daughter of Judith (Wright) McCormack and William McCormack, was born in about 1802, on January 1, 1840, at Smith County, Tennessee, D.B. 1/169 witnessed a deed from Samuel McClellin to Judith McCormack, married John Norris Rhodes, on April 29, 1846, at Smith County,

Tennessee, Circuit Court joined several of her siblings as plaintiff in a lawsuit naming her brother William McCormack as defendant.

i. Mary "Polly" McCormack, Also Known As Mary Woodcock, Her Non-Husbands And Possibly Woodcock, And Her Descendants

Mary "Polly" McCormack was a daughter of Judith (Wright) McCormack and William McCormack. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3])

The complaint dated June 30, 1831, in Bedford County, Virginia, Chancery Court File 320 listed Polly McCormack as an heir of William McCormack:

> ". . . . Shortly after which sd. Wm. McCormack departed this life intestate leaving little or no personal property that your orators could ever ascertain but seized & possessed of a tract of land of ___ acres more or less situated lying & being on Gills Creek or [unreadable] in Franklin County bought of one Armstrong Hale some 40 years ago which land is probably worth some five six or eight hundred dollars and also leaving a widow by name Judith McComack and the following children to wit. John McComack Anderson McComack Right McComack William McComack Abraham McComack Nancy McComack Polly McComack and two daughters to wit Frances who intermarried with Abraham ____ with Michael Hutts . . . ."

On January 26, 1835, Matthew Wright in Bedford County, Virginia, Chancery Court File 320 testified that Polly McCormack was then residing outside of Virginia.

The Virginia Origins Of A Smith County, Tennessee, McCormack Family by Betty Butler Ravenholt stated that Mary Pauline McCormack was a daughter of Judith (Wright) McCormack and William McCormack, was born in about 1804, that:

> "Carrie McCormack Butler told Betty Butler Ravenholt, her granddaughter, that Miss McCormack came 'down the river on a boat according to the old folks.' She also said that 'the old folks' always speculated that Miss McCormack had never been married since she arrived in Smith County without a husband but with a child. Thelma Butler McLin, aunt of Betty Butler Ravenholt, said that she had always heard that Miss McCormack came to Tennesee in a wagon with her children. Miss McCormack settled on land on Buffalo Creek, so called because nearby was a salt lick where lots of buffalo came. These McCormacks pronounced their name 'McCommack.'"

The Virginia Origins Of A Smith County, Tennessee, McCormack Family also stated that Mary Pauline McCormack resided in 1830 in the William McCormack household at

Smith County, Tennessee, on April 29, 1846, at Smith County, Tennessee, Circuit Court joined several of her siblings as plaintiff under the name Mary Woodcock in a lawsuit naming her brother William McCormack as defendant, on November 6, 1848, at Smith County, Tennessee, D.B. 1/170 purchased 68 1/2 acres of land on Buffalo Creek from her brother Abraham McCormack then of Indiana, resided in 1850, 1860, and 1870 at Smith County, Tennessee, and that her death record was dated on January 21, 1882, at Smith County, Tennessee, and listed her as female, white, widow, aged 77 years, 2 months, 18 days, born in Virginia, parents unknown, and died of pneumonia, and that Mary Pauline McCormack had the following children:

1) Tilman H. McCormack, born on May 23, 1825, at Virginia, and
2) Jane Elizabeth McCormack, born about 1832 at Tennessee.

i. Tilman H. McCormack, His Wife Mary Marinda (Cornwell) McCormack, And His Descendants

Tilman H. McCormack was a son of Mary MacCormack and ____ ____. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3], Mary[4])

The Virginia Origins Of A Smith County, Tennessee, McCormack Family by Betty Butler Ravenholt stated that Tilman H. McCormack was a son of Mary MacCormack and ____ ____, was born on May 23, 1825, at Virginia, married Mary Marinda Cornwell on September 28, 1848, at Smith County, Tennessee, resided in 1850 and 1860 at Smith County, Tennessee, was a farmer in 1860, enlisted on October 21, 1861, at Red Boiling Springs in Company H, 28th Tennessee Infantry, in September 1862 at Vicksburg was furloughed home due to illness, in February 1863 was listed as absent without leave from his company, resided in 1880 at Smith County, Tennessee, on November 22, 1880 at Smith County, Tennessee, Circuit Court Minute Book 3/193 was appointed a juror, in September 1885 joined the Hickory Grove Methodist Church, and died on December 15, 1895, at Defeated, Smith County, Tennessee, that Mary Marinda (Cornwell) McCormack was born about 1827 at Tennessee, resided in 1900 in the R. L. McCormick household at Smith County, Tennessee, and on March 16, 1906, filed a Widow's Indigent Pension claim in File 853, and that Tilman H. McCormack and Mary Marinda (Cornwell) McCormack had the following children:

1) Marshall G. McCormack, born on November 12, 1849, at Smith County, Tennessee,

2) James Howard McCormack, born on March 15, 1851, at Smith County, Tennessee,

3) Mary Judith (McCormack) McCormick, born on June 2, 1852, at Smith County, Tennessee,

4) Nancy Elisbeth (McCormack) Butler, born on November 13, 1853, at Smith County, Tennessee,

5) Rebecca C. McCormack, born on June 8, 1855, at Smith County, Tennessee,

6) Alfred Charlie McCormack, born on December 5, 1856, at Smith County, Tennessee,

7) Amecia A. (McCormack) Lankford, born on February 9, 1859, at Smith County, Tennessee,

8) Telitha A. (McCormack) Lankford, born on September 17, 1860, Smith County, Tennesse,

9) George S. McCormack, born on February 19, 1862, at Smith County, Tennessee,

10) John Henry McCormack, born on June 7, 1864, at Smith County, Tennessee, and

11) Rufus C. McCormack, born on March 1, 1866, at Smith County, Tennessee,

12) Robert Lee McCormack, born on March 31, 1870, at Smith County, Tennessee, and

13) Annie S. (McCormack) High, born on April 11, 1872, at Smith County, Tennessee.

ii. Jane Elizabeth McCormack, Her Non-Husband ____, And Her Descendants

Jane Elizabeth McCormack was a daughter of Mary MacCormack and ____ ____. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Judith[3], Mary[4])

The Virginia Origins Of A Smith County, Tennessee, McCormack Family by Betty Butler Ravenholt stated that Jane Elizabeth McCormack was a daughter of Mary Pauline MacCormack and ____ ____, possibly ____ Woodcock, was born about 1832 at Tennessee, resided in 1850, 1860, and 1870 at Smith County, Tennessee, and died before 1882, and that Jane Elizabeth McCormack had the following children:

1) William Wade McCormack, born about 1856 at Tennessee,
2) Harrison P. McCormack, born about 1858 at Tennessee, and
3) Heywood McCormack, born in June 1864 at Tennessee.

10. Martha "Patsey" (Wright) Mayes, Her Husband James Mayes, And Her Descendants

Martha "Patsey" (Wright) Mayes was a daughter of 1815 Joseph Wright of Bedford County and his second wife Judith (Pate) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2])

The will of James Mayse dated December 15, 1792, and probated on June 22, 1795, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 2/160 listed James Mayse as one of his children:

> "In the name of God amen this the fifteenth Day of December one thousand Seven Hundred and Ninty two I James Mayes of Bedford County and Colleney of Virginia and Being Verey weke in Body but of a perfect mind and memrey and knowing that it Is appinted for all men once to Dye I do make and ordain this my Last will and testement that is to Say prinsippley and first of all I Give and Recomend my Sole into the of God who Gave it as for my Bodey I Recomend to the Earth from whence it Came to be Bured in a Christon Like maner at the discration of my Executors Nothing Douting But at the Ginarel Resurrection I Shall Receve the Same agane by the Mighety power of God and as touching Such worldley astate as wher with it hath Pleased God to bless me with I this Life I Give Devess and Dispose of the Same in maner and forme forlering that is to Say
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> and I Give to my Sun James mays the track of Land I had of Davis being one hundered and fifteen akers and one horse and Sadle the hors by the Name of Dick
> . . . .

and the Rest of my estate my will and Desir is that it Should be Truley Devided between the Rest of my Choeldren Namley Ame mayes James mayes Milley mayes Joseph mayes and marey mayes But my will and Desir is that Joseph mays and marey mayes Should have two years Schoolling out of my estate before the Devishon of the Same
. . . ."

The marriage record of Patsy Wright and James Mays was dated on January 3, 1802, at Bedford County, Virginia:

"Marriges to wit Jany 3d 1802 James Mays & Patsy Wright Celebrated by me James Denton M.M.C."

If Patsy Wright was at least 16 years of age when she married, her date of birth would be probably before 1787.

The 1810 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed one James Mayse with the following members of his household:

Males	Age	Females	Age
1	26-45	1	26-45
		4	0-10

This record indicates that Martha "Patsey" (Wright) Mayse and James Mayse were born between 1765 and 1784.

The will of 1815 Joseph Wright dated February 21, 1815, and probated on September 11, 1815, at Bedford County, Virginia, Superior Court Book A/15 listed Patsey Mayes as one of his children:

". . . . 4thly I give to my Daughter Patsy Mayse One Iron Bound Chest . . . ."

On July 22, 1816, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 4/255 Patsey Mays was allocated Lot No. 8 in the Division of 1815 Joseph Wright's land:

"Laid off the Land of Joseph Wright Decd in the following maner to wit . . . . Lot No 8. 205 acres in Bedford County Begining at a white oak South 50 West 146 poles to a red oak North 81 West 140 poles to a red oak North 30 West 20 poles to a pine on Stanton River thence Down the Same to a White oak off East 62 poles to pointers South 45 East 138 poles to 3 small Sowerwoods South 78 East 66 poles to 2 white oaks East 50 poles to a Hicory South 27 East 70 poles to a Chesnut thence in to a Branch thence up the Same 164 poles to a small red oak N 2 Wes 92 poles to the Begining . . . . No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, & 8 land in Bedford

the names of those who drew them is inserted in the Body of their Plots, Given under our hands as Commissioners appointed by the worshipfull court of Bedford to divide the lands of Joseph Wright Decd - 22 June 1816. . . ."

On August 22, 1816, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 4/262 Patsey Mays was allocated Lot No. 5 in the Division of 1815 Joseph Wright's land:

". . . . Lot No 5 Containing 24 acres Begining at a poplar on a Branch off South 5 East 70 poles to a Chesnut oak North 76 East 30 poles to a pine North 27 East 80 poles to the Said Branch thence up the same as it meanders to the Begining . . . . We commissioners appointed by the worshipfull Court of Bedford County to divide the land of Joseph Wright Decd have done the same and the names of those who drew the lots is in the body of their plats . . . ."

The 1820 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed one James Mayse with the following members of his household:

Males	Age	Females	Age
1	26-45	1	26-45
1	10-16	1	16-26
3	0-10	2	10-15
		2	0-10

These records indicate that Martha "Patsey" (Wright) Mayes was born between 1775 and 1785.

On April 21, 1821, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 9/344 James Mays and Patsey Mays sold 270 acres of land in Franklin County to Matthew Wright:

"This Indenture made this 21st day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty one, between James Mays and Patcy his wife of Bedford County and State of Virginia of the one part, and Matthew Wright of said County of the other part. Witnesseth that the said James Mays and Patsy his wife for and in consideration of the sum of one Thousand Dollars current money of Virginia to them in hand paid, the receipt whereoff is hereby acknowledged, hath given granted bargained and sold, and by these preasants doth give grant, bargain and sell & deliver unto the said Matthew Wright his heirs and assigns, one certain tract or parcel of Land, lying and being in the County of Franklin, on Lynvilles Creek containing Two hundred and seventy acres be the same less or more and bounded as follows to wit Begining at Talberts corner White Oak off North 35 West 186 poles to a White Oak in an old line, thence along said line North 33° E 240 poles to Hills line, thence on said line South 56 East 234 poles to Talberts Corner Red Oak, thence on said line South 69 West 198 poles to his

corner pointers, thence South 12 West 156 poles to the Begining, To have and to hold the said granted Land and premises, with every part and parcel thereunto belonging unto the said Matthew Wright his heirs and assigns forever, and we the said James and Patsy Mays will warrant and forever defend the title of said Land from them their heirs or assigns, and from all other and every person or persons claim or claims (who or whatsoever) unto the said Matthew Wright his heirs Executors administrators or assigns forever, In Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals the day and date above written

James Mays
Patsey Mays

Bedford County to wit

We Lewis Wingfield & Lawrence McGeorge magestrates of the County aforesaid do hereby certify that James Mays a party to the within conveyance hath duly acknowledged the same before us Lewis Wingfield and Law McGeorge and desiered us to certify the same acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Franklin in order that the said Conveyance may be recorded as Witness our hands, and seals this 21st April 1821.

Lewis Wingfield
Law McGeorge

Bedford County to wit

We Lewis Wingfield and Law McGeorge Justices for the County affoursaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Patsy Mays the wife of James Mays parties to a certain Deed for the conveyance of real estate to Matthew Wright bearing date the 21st day of April 1821 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County afoursaid and being examined by us privately and apart from her husband having the Deed aforesaid fully explained to her she sd Patsy Mays acknowledged the same to be her act and Deed and declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and that she wishes not to retract it Given from under our hands and seals this 21" day of April 1821.

Lewis Wingfield
Law McGeorge

At the Clerks Office of Franklin County June 4 1821

This Indenture of Bargain and sale between James Mays and Patsy his wife of the one part, and Matthew Wright of the other part, was Returned to the Office

and the same together with the Certificates hereon endorsed was admited to Record

Teste,
Caleb Tate CFC"

On July 27, 1822, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 10/137 James Mayes and Patsey (Wright) Mayse sold 15 acres of land to Martin Wright:

"This Indenture made this twenty seventh day of July, one thousand eight hundred and twenty two between James Mays and Patsey his wife of Bedford County of the one part and Martin Wright of Franklin County of the other part Witnesseth, that the said James Mays and Patsey his Wife, for and in consideration of the sum Seventy Dollars to them in hand paid the receipt whereof they do hereby acknowledge, have granted, bargained and sold to the said Martin Wright, one certain tract or parcel of Land lying in Franklin County and bounded as followeth; Begining at a chesnut oak, South 80 West 60 poles to a chesnut stump, North 28 West 100 poles near a branch, thence down the same to a white oak South 12 East 80 poles to the Begining; containing 15 acres, to have and to hold the said granted land and premisses with all the appurtinances thereto belonging or in any way appertaining, the said James Mays and Patsey his wife doth hereby bind themselves, their heirs executors and administrators to warrant and defend the above granted land and premisses, free from the just claim of them or their heirs or any person or persons whatsoever. In Testimony whereof the said James Mays and Patsey his wife, have hereunto set their hands and seals date as above.

James Mays
Patesey Mays

Bedford County to wit,

We Jabez Leftwich and Lawrence McGeorge Magestrates of the said County do hereby certify that James Mays and Patsey Mays parties to the within conveyance have duly acknowledged the same before us on the 27th July 1822 and desired us to certify the said acknowledgment to the Clerk of the County Court of Franklin in order that the said conveyance may be recorded and we do further certify that Patsey Mays the wife of James Mays parties to a certain deed for the conveyance of real estate to Martin Wright bearing date 27" July 1822 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her, she the said Patsey Mays acknowledged the same to be her act and deed, and declared that she had willing signed sealed

and delivered the same, and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 27" July 1822.

Jabez Leftwich
Lawrence McGeorge

At the Clerks Office of Franklin County the 2nd day of September 1822

This Indenture of bargain and sale between James Mays and Patsey his wife of the one part and Martin Wright of the other part, was exhibited and together with the certificate hereon endorsed, admited to record

Teste,
Caleb Tate C.F.C."

On February 14, 1825, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers James Mayes and Patsy Mayes filed their answer to Peter Dent's complaint stating they had sold their interest to Peter Dent:

"The joint answer of James Mayes and Patsy Mayes his wife to a Bill of complaint exhibited against them and others in the county court of Bedford by Peter Dent

These respondants admit that Peter Dent purchased the Land in the Bill mentioned as in his bill is Stated, that he has paid the purchase money therefore and is entitled to a decree for the Title against all the defendants who have not hitherto conveyed.

They further state that they have already conveyed their Interest in the said lands before the institution of the suit against them and that they set __ claim or Title to the lands or any part thereof and that they are therefore entitled to their costs in that behalf expended and pray to be hence Dismissed with their costs: &c

James Mays &
Patsey Mays his wife

Bedford County sct.

James Mayes this day personally appeared before me Wm Shrewsbury justice of the peace for said County and made oath that the matters in the annexed bill stated are true so far as they depend upon his own knowledge and that so far as they depend upon upon information derived from others he believes them to be

True & both he & his wife Patsy subscribed the same in my presence Given under my hand this 14 day of Feb 1825

Wm. Shrewsbury"

On June 16, 1838, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 28/328 James Mayse and Martha Mayse sold 100 acres of land to Joseph W. Mayse:

"This Indenture made this 16th day of June in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and thirty eight between James Mayes & Martha his wife of the County of Bedford and State of Virginia of the one part and Joseph W Mayse of the same County and State aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth that the said James Mayse and Martha his wife for and in consideration of the sum of four hundred dollars paid to us by the said Joseph W. Mayse in hand, the receipt whereof we do hereby acknowledge have given, granted, bargained and sold and do by these presents give, grant, bargain and sell unto the said Joseph W. Mayse his assigns &c. a certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in the County of Bedford near the North fork of Beaverdam creek, containing one hundred acres more or less, Viz. Beginning at a small white oak in Mayse line and running N. 71-1/2 W. 48 poles to the head of a branch in Bowle's line, thence down the branch as it meanders 100 poles to a Maple corner to Wrights, thence N. 35 E. 99 poles to his corner pine, thence S. 31-1/2 E. 54 poles to a white oak sprout on the Spring branch, thence E. 35 poles to a pine, thence N. 58-1/4 E. to a new corner chesnut in Wrights line, thence a new line South to a corner pine on the road, thence as the road runs to a corner pine in the hollow, thence South to an oak on the branch, thence down the branch as it meanders to a chinquepin thence West to pointers, thence North to the beginning. To have and to hold the same with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging unto the said Joseph W. Mayse &c. forever. And the said James Mayse & Martha his wife shall and will warrant and forever defend the said granted land and premises with the appurtenances unto the said Joseph W. Mayse &c. forever against the lawful claims and demands of all other persons. In witness whereof the said James Mayse and Martha his wife have hereunto set their hands & affixt their Seals on the day & date above written.

Signd. Seald. & ackd) James Mayse
in presence of)
Matthew Pate Martha her X mark Mayse
Robert J. Thurmon
James Wright

State of Virginia, Bedford County to Wit

We William W. Reese and William Mead Justices of the peace in and for the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia, do hereby certify that James Mayse a party to a certain deed bearing date on the 16th day of June 1838 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and desired us to certify said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Bedford in order that the same may be recorded. Given under our hands and Seals this 20th day of July 1839.

Wm W Reese
William Mead

State of Virginia Bedford County Sct.

We William W. Reese and William Mead Justices of the peace in and for the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia, do hereby Certify that Martha Mayse wife of James Mayse, a party to a certain deed bearing date on the 16th of June 1838 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the said deed fully explained to her, she the said Martha Mayse acknowledged the same to be her act and deed, and declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 20th day of July 1839.

Wm W Reese
William Mead

At a Court held for Bedford County the 22nd day of June 1840

This Indenture of bargain and sale from James Mayse and wife to Joseph W. Mayse was produced in Court and together with the certificates thereto annexed ordered to be recorded.

Teste
Ro. C. Mitchell CBC"

The 1840 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed one James Mays with the following members of his household:

Males	Age	Females	Age
1	60-70	1	50-60
3	20-30	3	20-30
1	15-20	1	15-20
2	10-15		

These entries together with the 1810 and 1820 Censuses indicate a birth date for Martha "Patsey" Mayse between 1780 and 1784 and a birth date for James Mayse between 1776 and 1780.

The 1880 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed a Joseph W. Mays, one of the children of James and Patsey Mayse, and stated that both his parents were born in Virginia. Since 1815 Joseph Wright resided in Bedford County, Martha's place of birth was probably at Bedford County, Virginia.

Bedford County, Virginia, Genealogical Records, citing the Bible record of Joseph Wright Mays, listed the death of James Mayse on September 18, 1847.

The will of James Mayse was dated March 25, 1847, and probated on September 8, 1847, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 12/494, and provided as follows:

> "In the name of God, Amen; I James Mays of the County of Bedford and State of Virginia, being weak in body but of sound mind and memory thanks be to God for his mercies and noing that it is appointed unto man once to die think proper to make this my last Will & Testament in manner and form following Viz, It is my Will and desire that after my Death I be buried in decent manner and that all my funeral expenses be paid together with all my just Debts out of the parishable property belonging to my estate by my Executors hereinafter named and thatthe remainder of my estate be disposed of as follows Viz
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> Item 1st I give and bequeath to my son Joseph W Mays one Dollar
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> " 2nd I give and bequeath to my son Samuel K Mays One Dollar
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> " 3rd I give and bequeath to my Daughter Charlotte Dowdy One Dollar
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> " 4th I give and bequeath to my Daughter Marth Carter One Dollars
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> said sums to be paid to them or to such persons as shall be legally authorised on the several behalves to receive the same by my executors in full of their several interests in my estate the said Joseph M Mays Samuel K Mays Charlotte Dowdy and Martha Cater having heretofore received such advancements as in my

opinion equals the just proportion of each of them in my estate taking into consideration the burthen that myself and wife may be to secure of my other children.

5th I give and bequeath to my executor herein after named all my lots lying and being in the town of Liberty Bedford County together with all the improvements & appertainances to the same upon trust Nevertheless that he shall immediately after the death of myself and wife Patey Mays proceed to sell the said lots together with their improvements upon such terms as he shall think will most promote the interest of my estate and shall after the legal expenses attending the same shall have been paid proceed to divide the money arising from the sale of said town Lots between William L Mays and Agness Anderson taking into Consideration the several advancements which I may have charged against each of them at the time of my Death and then give to each of them such portion of the money arising from sade sale as will make each of them equal taking into consideration the advances as aforesaid.

Item 6th I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Patey Mays the land and plantation on which I now live containing five hundred and seventy nine acres for and during her natural life together with all the personal property of which I may die possessed.

7th I give and bequeath to my son James D K Mays after the death of my wife Patey Mays the tract of land purchased by me of Joshua Ryan Containing one hundred and sixteen acres, also one small lot running between the above named tract and Dr John Claytor's supposed to be 10 or 12 acres and also one equal half of the balance of land left to my wife (after after her death) together with the following property which he my said son has hitherto received of me One Bay horse, One bed and furniture stead and Cow and cord, one saddle and book case, to have and to hold to him and his heirs forever - 8th I give and bequeath to my two daughters Judith Mays and Polly Mays one equal half of the balance of my land left to my wife after the death of my said wife, reserving however the above land disposed of to my son James together with the following property which my said daughters hath hitherto reserved of me (Viz) To each of my said daughters one bay mare bureau saddle, Bed and furniture stead and Cow delivered to have and to hold to them and their heirs forever.

" 9th I give and bequeath to my daughter Permelia Diarlia and the lawful heirs of her body the following property which she has hitherto received of me Viz One negro Girl Nadine, one side board, one bed and furniture and Cash advanced for you $215, One Linnin wheal, One Cow (which property has been delivered) to have and to hold to her during her natural life and then to the lawful heirs of her body forever.

Item, It is my will and desire that that after the death of my wife that the residue of my estate not otherwise disposed of in this Will be disposed of as follows (Viz) that my son James D K Mays have one half of said estate of every feature and my Two Daughters Judith Mays and Polly Mays the other half say to each of my daughters one equal fourth of said estate To have and to hold to them and their heirs forever.

Lastly I do hereby authorise Constitute and appoint my son James D K Mays my whole and sole Executor to this my last will and Testament revoking and making nul and void all former wills heretofore by me made, and it is further my will that the Court of Bedford County will permit my said Executor to qualify and act without requiring of him any security upon his official bond, believing that my said Executor will carry the foregoing will into effect agreeable to the true intent and meaning thereof. It is further my will and desire that my said Executor be invested with full power to arbitrate settle and compromise any business that he may think proper respecting my said estate.

In testimony whereof I the said James Mays do hereunto set my hand and affix my seal to this my last will and Testament this 25th day of March One thousand Eight hundred and forty seven

signed sealed published) James Mays
and do in preasants of)
Thomas Melson)
Nathl Newsom)
Benjamin Bowles)
William B Newsom)

September 8" 1847

This is to Cirtify that after the tow lots is sold by my executor in Liberty & make William Mays and Agness Anderson 500 Dollars a pease with what they have had advanced to them both the ballance of the said of the two lots if any to go to James D K Mays in trust for Permiley Dilini whenevery he think proper to hand the same to her - As I have left Permely Dilai nothing in my will it is my ernest request that William L Mays & Agness Anderson will consent to the above request

James Mays

At a Court held for Bedford County September 27th 1847

This the last Will and Testament of James Mays Deceased together with the Codicil was produced in Court and said Will proved by the oath of Thomas

Melson, Nathaniel Newsom Benjamin Bowles and William B Newsom subscribing witnesses thereto, and said Codicil proved to be wholly in the handwriting of the said James Mays deceased by the oath of Thomas Melson Benjamin Bowles and Micajah Davis and said Will and Codicil was ordered to be recorded. And on the motion of James D K Mays the executor in said Will named who made oath and entered into and acknowledged bond in the penalty of ten thousand Dollars (without security as directed by said Will) Conditioned according to law Certificate is granted him for obtaining a probat of said Will in due form

Teste
Jno R Steptoe C.B.C."

The family of 1847 James Mayse can be identified from that will as follows:

Wife: Patsey

Children:
1) Joseph W. Mays,
2) Samuel K. or C. Mays,
3) Charlotte Dowdy,
4) Martha Carter or Cater,
5) William S. Mays,
6) Agness Anderson,
7) James D. K. Mays,
8) Judith Mays,
9) Polly Mays, and
10) Permelia Diarlia.

On March 27, 1848, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 12/275, an inventory of the estate of James Mays was filed:

"A list of property of James Mays Decd, appraised by Benjamin H Bowles, Thomas Melson & Nathl Newsom on 11th March 1848 agreeble to order of Court

4 Bee hives	7.00
1 Grine Stone	1.50
1 Cider barrel	.50
1 Lot of barrels	.50
1 Sow and six pigs	6.00
6 Hogs firs lot	12.00
1 Black Sow & six shoats	10.00

1 Spotted sow & seven pigs	9.00
3 Hogs in second lot	9.00
2 Big Ploughs	11.00
2 Mattocks & one grubing	2.50
6 Hoes	2.25
1 Doubletree	.25
1 Lock-Chain two singletrees & Pair of stretchers	2.50
1 Large harrow one doubletree & one singletree	7.00
1 Cider Mill	5.00
1 Wagon	75.00
1 Large lockchain	1.50
1 Lot of Shovels ploughs	4.00
2 Small turning ploughs	1.50
2 Coulters	1.00
1 Set of hind gear	10.00
2 Old sadles	2.00
5 Horse Collars	2.00
5 Bridles	2.00
2 Pair of wagon gear	4.00
2 " " plough gear	3.00
1 Fifth Chain & one stretchers	2.50
1 Pair of small stretchers	.20
1 " " Steelyards	2.00
1 Hoe	.12½
2 Hay forks & two dung forks	1.00
1 Spade	.25
1 Bull	18.00
1 Beef	13.00
1 Old white Cow	9.00
1 Bell cow	7.00
1 Potted Cow first	10.00
1 Potted cow second	10.00
1 Red Cow	10.00
1 Brindle Cow	8.00
5 Yearlings	12.50
1 Sheep	1.50
1 Colt	20.00
1 Gray mare	40.00
1 Lot of fatting hogs	65.00
2 Shoats	1.00
1 House of fodder first	3.50
1 Cider hogshead	1.00
2 Cythes & cradles	1.50
1 Set of blacksmiths tools & old iron	16.00

4 Axes	2.00
2 Wedges	.50
1 House of hay & seed hay	40.00
1 Carryall and harnes	70.00
3 Mowing cythes	2.50
1 Lot of Old barrels	2.25
1 Cutting knife and box	1.75
20 Bushels of wheat	15.00
1¼ Tins of plaster	20.00
75 Barrels of corn	112.50
1 Lot of shucks	10.00
1 Lot of Oats	62.50
1 " of fodder	18.00
1 " " Straw	2.00
1 " " Short Cow	15.00
3 Halter Collars & chains	1.00
1 Lot of top fodder	7.00
1 " " " and blade	3.25
1 Cubboard and Contents	25.00
1 Folding table	3.00
1 Beauaro	10.00
1 Large folding table	6.00
1 Small Pine table	.25
1 Clock	5.00
1 Pine chest	1.00
1 Bedstead and bed and clothing	10.00
1 Curtain " " " "	20.00
1 Cowan " " " "	8.00
1 Large weighter	1.00
1 Sett of fine chairs	5.00
1 Looking glass	.75
1 Dressing table	1.00
1 Second Certain bedstead bed & clothing	20.00
1 Lot of bed clothing	13.00
1 Pair of Saddlele	5.00
1 Crooss Cut saw	4.00
1 Loom	6.00
1 Large pine table	.50
1 Pine Cubboard & Contents	4.50
1 Set of Casting	4.75
1 Pair of Andirons	1.00
1 " " Tongs	.50
2 Potracks	1.50
1 Brass kettle	5.00

1 Lot of dairy ware	7.00
1 Cedar pail and tub	.75
1 Lot of barrels	2.00
3 Tubs	.75
3 Buckets of tin	.75
1 Tea kettle	1.00
1 Lot of Carpinters tools	2.00
6 Common Chairs	2.25
18 Sheep	27.00

Benjamin H Bowles)
Thomas Melson) Appraisers
Nathaniel Newsom)
James D K Mays as Executor

At a court held for Bedford County March 27" 1848

This Inventory and appraisement of the estate of James Mays Deceased was produced in court and ordered to be recorded

Teste
Jno R Steptoe C.B.C."

Bedford County Virginia, Genealogical Records, citing the Bible record of Joseph Wright Mays, listed the death of Patsey Mayse on June 28, 1850.

On April 24, 1854, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 15/174, 15/175, and 15/176 three plats and surveys were filed allocating the land of James Mays to three of his children:

"July 30th 1850

Plat and courses of land alloted to Judith Mays in the division of her fathers land Lying in the County of Bedford on the head branches of cates creek a branch of Beaver dam containing 108-1/2 Acre Bounded as follows Viz Beginning at 2 possimons near grave yard corner to lot 1 & 3 in said division and represented in the above plat Thence from 1 to 4 new lines with the lines of No 3 S 32-3/4 E 21 poles +ing the Creek in all 50 poles & 16 links to a sassafras from 2 to 3 S 56-1/2 E 32 poles & 15 links to a possimon from 3 to 4 56-1/4 W 45 poles +ing the Creek in all 84 poles to the road (N 87-1/2 W 10 poles from a white oak corner) thence along the road with Andersons line S 75 W 16 poles S 66 W 18 poles & five links to a Spanish oak Stump in the fork of a road from 4 to 7 S 83-3/4 W 93 poles to a Spanish oak Stump & Pointers near a branch thence from 7 to 9 nearly down the branch S 68-1/2 W 17 poles & 7 links to a dead white oak snag

on the north side of the branch (dogwood pointers marked) 525-1/2 [S 25-1/2?] W 10-1/2 poles to a point in the branch opposite a white oak Pointer thence with Nemos old line from 9 to 10 N 36-1/4 W +ing a road at 10-1/2 poles in all 19 poles & 18 links to a red oak near the top of a ridge N 7-1/4 W 23 poles +ing a road in all 33 to a small dead red oak & Pointers Sorrel Bowles corner thence with his line from 11 to 12 N 18-3/4 E 18-1/2 poles crossing a branch 22-1/2 poles Passing through a spring in all 31 poles to small Hickory thence off new lines with lot No 1 S 86-3/4 E 16 poles & 22 links to Rock pile and pointers 2 Red & 2 White oaks from 13 to 1 N 39-1/4 E crossing a branch at 79 poles & 7 links 72 poles + Road 103 & 7 links +ing one prong of the Creak 106 poles 14 + the other prong in all 140 poles & 7 links to the beginning

Geo P Luck SCS
for James H Buford SBC

In the Clerks office of Bedford County Court the 24th day of April 1854 This plat & survey of land allotted to Judith Mays was produced in the office and at the request of James D K Mays recorded

Teste
A A Arthur CBC"

"July 30th 1850

Plat & survey courses of James D K H Mays land allotted to him in the division of his fathers land Lying in the County of Bedford on both sides of cates creek a branch of Beaverdam containing 160-1/2 Acres & bounded as follows Viz Beginning at Gooleys corner Red oak Stump & Pointers Spannish & chestnut oak represented in the above plat at fig 1 thence with Gooleys line from 1 to 2 S 34-1/4 E at 26 poles +ing the Pee town road in all 27 poles to pile rocks now corner in Gooleys line thence from (2 to 6 new lines) from 2 to 3 S 21-3/4 W 59 poles & 20 links to a three prong white oak from 3 to 4 S 17-1/2 E 32 poles to 2 possimons near the grave yard from 4 to 5 S 39-1/4 W at 35 poles & 18 links +ing a branch 37 poles +ing a branch 68 poles + road 71 poles +ing a branch in all 140 poles & 7 links to pile rocks & pointers 2 red & 2 white oaks from 5 to 6 N 86-3/4 W 16 poles & 22 links to a small hickory Bowles corner thence with his line from (6 to 15) from 6 to 7 N 27-1/2 W 44 poles to a dead red oak from 7 to 8 N 84 W 36 poles & 10 links to a white oak by a fence N 45-3/4 E 55 poles & 9 links to a small red oak in a flat N 53-1/2 W +ing cates creek 27 poles 10 links to a rock pen on the NW side of the creek from 10 to 11 S 86 W 22 poles 10 links +ing the meadow branch in all 62-1/2 poles to 3 Small hickorys from 11 to 12 N 62 W 11 poles & 9 links to a dead white oak from 12 to 13 N 49-1/2 W 11 poles to a spanish oak from 13 to 14 N 42-1/2 W 14 poles to pile rocks & Pointers red oak from 14 to 15 N 24-3/4 W 24 poles to a dead red oak & pointer white oak

from 15 to 16 along his own line N 76 E 23 poles + branch 26-1/2 poles + branch 104 poles +ing branch 142 + hollow in all 175-1/2 poles to a chesnut oak on side the mountain from 16 to 1 N 63 E 81 poles & 15 links to the beginning

Geo P Luck DS
For James H Buford

In the Clerks office of Bedford County Court the 24th day of April 1854 This plat & survey of land allotted to James D K H Mays was produced in the office & at the request of James D K Mays recorded

Teste
A A Arthur CBC"

"July 30th 1850

Plat & courses of land allotted to Polly Worley daughter of James Mays in the division of her fathers lands known as lot No 3 in said division Lying in the County of Bedford on the head waters of cates creek a branch of Beaverdam containing 168-1/2 acres Bounded as follows beginning at a pile of rock in Gooleys line corner to Lot No 1 represented in the above plat as fig 1 from 1 to 2 with Gooleys line S 34-1/4 E 73 poles & 9 links to pile rocks by a fence from 2 to 3 N 48 E 28 poles & 10 links +ing a branch in all 58-1/2 to a white flint rock & Pointer white oak from 3 to 4 S 56-1/4 E 59-1/2 poles to a large Spanish oak by a pair draw bars Melsons corner from 4 to 5 with Melsons line S 27-1/2 W 117 poles & 5 links to pile rocks on a ridge from 5 to 6 S 60-1/2 E 34 poles +ing cates creek in all 138 poles & 10 links to a rock pile & pointer first oak & dogwood Dents corner red oak down from 6 to 7 with his line S 27-3/4 W 33 poles 20 links +ing sink hole Branch in all 87 poles to pile rocks near a spanish oak marked as corner 21 links from the oak Andersons Corner thence with his line N 59-1/2 W at about 88 poles passing the church in all 132 poles & 20 links to a white oak on the north side of a road at fig 8 thence from 8 to 9 N 87-1/2 W 10 poles to the corner of lot No 2 thence 9 to 12 with the lines of No 2 N 6-1/4 E at 41 poles +ing the creek in all 86 poles to a possimon from 10 to 11 N 56-1/2 W 32 poles & 15 links to a sasafras from 11 to 12 N 32-3/4 W at 29 poles & 16 links +ing the creek in all 50 poles & 16 links to 2 possimon near the grave yard corner to lot no 2 & 1 thence with the lines of No 1 N 17-1/2 W 32 poles to a 3 prong white oak from 13 to 1 N 21-3/4 E 59 poles & 20 links to the Beginning

George P Luck DS
For James H Buford SBS

In the Clerks office of Bedford County Court the 24th day of April 1854 this plat & survey of land allotted to Polly Worley was produced in the office & at the request of James D K Mays recorded"

The Declaration of Littleberry Wright dated June 19, 1873, and recorded at Meade County, Kentucky, D.B. P/139 identified Martha Wright as a daughter of 1815 Joseph Wright by his second wife and James Mays as a son-in-law of 1815 Joseph Wright:

"Meade County State of Kentucky, United States of America the nineteenth day of June A.D. One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventh Three,

I Little Berry Wright of the County State and Country aforesaid was born March the 25th twenty ____ day One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety One in the State of Virginia near Bedford or Franklin County. My father was named Joseph Wright Jr. of Bedford County Virginia. he was a Son of Joseph Wright Sr. of the County of Bedford and State aforesaid who was my grandfather.

. . . .

My Grand Father had five children by his first wife which was my Grand mother the names of which was Thomas, Mary, Milly, John and Joseph, The names of the children by his Second wife was named Aggie Nancy, Basheba, Judith, Martha, Mathew & Wright-Wright making twelve in all.

. . . .

I staid with my Grandfather until his death, and his son Mathew Wright and his Son in law James Mays administered on his estate and after the Sale was over James Mays brought the chest of papers out and stated that the whole amount of the Sale was not worth anything compared with this meaning the chest of papers -"

The History Of Bedford County, Virginia included the following information about James Mayse, Jr.:

"The Eagle's Nest

"The Eagle's Nest," now only the ruins of the old home of James Mayse, Jr., is on the south side of Board's Mountain, in the southwestern part of the county. Cate's Creek flows along the base of the mountain and empties into Staunton River farther down.

James Mayse, Jr., was the son of James Mayse, Sr., who with his brother, John, came from Amherst County and bought land here during the Revolution.

James Mayse, Jr., was born in Bedford County about 1780, and died in 1847. He married January 3, 1802, Patsy Wright, daughter of Thomas Wright, a neighbor, who had come from Augusta County even before the arrival of the Mayses. He became a prosperous planter and increased the acreage inherited from his father until he owned more than one thousand acres in this vicinity. He also had holdings in the town of Liberty. The site of the present Baptist Church in Bedford was purchased from his estate. Of his four sons, Samuel C. married Agnes Wright and went to Davidson County, Tennessee; William S. married Susan R. Claytor, daughter of Dr. John Claytor, and went to McCracken County, Kentucky; James D. K. married Sarah Lloyd and inherited "The Eagle's Nest." He died while in prison in Richmond during the War Between the States.

Sarah Lloyd Mayse continued to live at "The Eagle's Nest" after the death of her husband, and some years later married Albert L. Harris. She had no children, and after her death Mr. Harris sold the home to William C. Wright, who lived there for several years. He sold it to the late J. J. Saunders, of whose estate it is still a part."

Our Kin included the following information about James Mayse, Jr.:

"James Mayse, son of James and Mary Mayse, married, January 3, 1802, Patsey Wright, daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth (Kemp) Wright, in Bedford County. (See Wright family.)

(1) Samuel C.; went West and was lost sight of.

(2) Polly; married William Worley; had one son, killed in Civil War.

(3) Charlotte; married ____ Dowdy.

(4) Martha (Patsey); married ____ Carter; lived and died in Santa Fe, N.M.; had son, Judge Joseph N. Carter, of Quincy, Ill.

(5) Joseph Wright, born January 6, 1811. (See forward.)

(6) Agnes; married Jubal A. Anderson; lived and died in Floyd County, Va.

(7) Judith; died unmarried.

(8) Parmelia.

(9) William S.; went to Kentucky.

(10) James David Kyle; married Sarah Lloyd; died in Richmond, July 1, 1862, while in Civil War.

James Mayse died September 18, 1847. His will mentions his wife, Patsey; children: Joseph W., Samuel C., Charlotte Dowdy, Martha Carter, William S., Agnes Anderson, James D. K., Judith, Polly, and Parmelia. He gives land on which he now lives to his wife, and mentions lots in the town of Liberty to be disposed of.

(The present Baptist Church in Bedford is built upon one of these lots, purchased from his estate for this purpose.)

Patsey (Wright) Mayse died June 28, 1850.

"King, William Montgomery. January 7, 1833 - born about 1755; enlisted in Bedford County, Va., 1778. . . .

"About 15 days later went as substitute for James Mayse, serving under Capt. Nathaniel Tate, Lieutenant Stephen Goggin and Ensign Richard Edmundson, and marched to join General Gates at Charlotte, N.C." (McAllister's Militia, Section 153, pp. 134-135.)"

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below the children of Martha "Patsey" (Wright) Mayse and James Mayse were the following:

1) Charlotte (Mayse) Dowdy, born about 1803 at Virginia, probably at Bedford County, Virginia,

2) Judith Mays, born about 1807 or 1808 at Virginia,

3) Mary "Polly" (Mayse) Worley, born about 1807 or 1808 at Virginia, probably at Bedford County, Virginia,

4) Martha "Patsey" (Mayse) Carter, born probably before 1821 and possibly before 1810 probably at Bedford County, Virginia,

5) Joseph Wright Mays, born on January 6, 1811, at Bedford County, Virginia,

6) Samuel C. Mayse, born probably after 1809,

7) Agness (Mays) Anderson, born about 1816 or 1817 at Virginia, probably at Bedford County, Virginia,

8) William S. or L. Mays, born probably before 1828 probably at Bedford County, Virginia,

9) James David Kyle Mays, born about 1820 at Bedford County, Virginia, and

10) Permelia (Mays) Deyerle, born probably before 1831 probably at Bedford County, Virginia.

a. Charlotte (Mayse) Dowdy, Her Husband Elijah Dowdy, And Her Descendants

Charlotte (Mayse) Dowdy was a daughter of Martha "Patsey" (Wright) Mayse and James Mayse. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Martha[3])

The marriage bond of Charlotte Mayse and Elijah Dowdy, son of Zekill and Jaine of Franklin County, was dated on April 14, 1821, at Bedford County, Virginia, with James Mayse as surety. If Charlotte was at least 16 years of age at the time of her marriage, then her birth date would be probably before 1806. Since James Mayse was residing in Bedford County, the place of birth of Charlotte was probably at Bedford County, Virginia.

The will of James Mayse dated March 25, 1847, and probated on September 8, 1847, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 12/494 listed Charlotte Dowdy as one of his children:

> "In the name of God, Amen; I James Mays of the County of Bedford and State of Virginia, being weak in body but of sound mind and memory thanks be to God for his mercies and noing that it is appointed unto man once to die think proper to make this my last Will & Testament in manner and form following Viz, ...
>
> " 3rd I give and bequeath to my Daughter Charlotte Dowdy One Dollar
> . . . .
>
> said sums to be paid to them or to such persons as shall be legally authorised on the several behalves to receive the same by my executors in full of their several interests in my estate the said Joseph M Mays Samuel K Mays Charlotte Dowdy and Martha Cater having heretofore received such advancements as in my opinion equals the just proportion of each of them in my estate taking into consideration the burthen that myself and wife may be to secure of my other children.
> . . . ."

The 1850 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Elijah Dowdy with the following household:

Names	Age	Occupation	Real Estate	Born
Elijah Dowdy	47	Farmer	$253	Virginia
Charlotte Dowdy	47			Virginia
Permelia Dowdy	24			Virginia
Joel Dowdy	20			Virginia
Joseph Dowdy	18			Virginia
Wm. H. Dowdy	13			Virginia
Alex. Dowdy	10			Virginia
Susan Dowdy	9			Virginia

In her letter dated December 3, 1986, Jean B. Dowdey stated that Charlotte (Mayse) Dowdy was a daughter of Martha "Patsey" (Wright) Mayse and James Mayse and married Elijah Dowdy and that they had the following children:

1) Prumelia Dowdy, born in 1826,
2) Joel Dowdy, born in 1830,
3) Joseph Wright Dowdy, born in 1832,
4) William H. Dowdy, born in 1837,
5) Chliff (?) Dowdy, born in 1840, and
6) Susan Dowdy, born in 1841.

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below the children of Charlotte (Mayse) Dowdy and Elijah Dowdy were the following:

1) Prumelia Dowdy, born about 1826 at Virginia,
2) Joel Dowdy, born about 1830 at Virginia,
3) Joseph Wright Dowdy, born about 1832 at Virginia,
4) William H. Dowdy, born about 1837 at Virginia,
5) Chlift(?) or Alex Dowdy, born about 1840 at Virginia, and
6) Susan Dowdy, born about 1841 at Virginia.

i. Prumelia Dowdy

Prumelia Dowdy was a daughter of Charlotte (Mayse) Dowdy and Elijah Dowdy. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Martha[3], Charlotte[4])

The 1850 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Permelia Dowdy in the Elijah Dowdy household and her age as 24 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1826.

In her letter dated December 3, 1986, Jean B. Dowdey enclosed family group sheets which stated that Prumelia Dowdy was a daughter of Charlotte (Mayse) Dowdy and Elijah Dowdy and was born in 1826.

ii. Joel Dowdy

Joel Dowdy was a son of Charlotte (Mayse) Dowdy and Elijah Dowdy. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Martha[3], Charlotte[4])

The 1850 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Joel Dowdy in the Elijah Dowdy household and his age as 20 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1830.

In her letter dated December 3, 1986, Jean B. Dowdey enclosed family group sheets which stated that Joel Dowdy was a son of Charlotte (Mayse) Dowdy and Elijah Dowdy and was born in 1830.

iii. Joseph Wright Dowdy, His Wife Marinda (Payne) Dowdy, And His Descendants

Joseph Wright Dowdy was a son of Charlotte (Mayse) Dowdy and Elijah Dowdy. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Martha[3], Charlotte[4])

The 1850 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Joseph Dowdy in the Elijah Dowdy household and his age as 18 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1832.

In her letter dated December 3, 1986, Jean B. Dowdey enclosed family group sheets which stated that Joseph Wright Dowdy was a son of Charlotte (Mayse) Dowdy and Elijah Dowdy, was born in 1832, married Marinda Payne in 1854, and died possibly at Iowa, that Marinda (Payne) Dowdy was born on November 12, 1832, at Franklin County, Virginia, and died in 1908 at Hawarden, Iowa, and that they had the following child:

1) Joseph Henry Dowdey, born on May 7, 1861, at Franklin County, Virginia.

iv. William H. Dowdy

William H. Dowdy was a son of Charlotte (Mayse) Dowdy and Elijah Dowdy. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Martha[3], Charlotte[4])

The 1850 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Wm. H. Dowdy in the Elijah Dowdy household and his age as 13 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1837.

In her letter dated December 3, 1986, Jean B. Dowdey enclosed family group sheets which stated that William H. Dowdy was a son of Charlotte (Mayse) Dowdy and Elijah Dowdy and was born in 1837.

v. Chlift (?) Or Alex Dowdy

Chlift (?) or Alex Dowdy was a son of Charlotte (Mayse) Dowdy and Elijah Dowdy. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Martha[3], Charlotte[4])

The 1850 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Alex. Dowdy in the Elijah Dowdy household and his age as 10 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1840.

In her letter dated December 3, 1986, Jean B. Dowdey enclosed family group sheets which stated that Chlift (?) Dowdy was a son of Charlotte (Mayse) Dowdy and Elijah Dowdy and was born in 1840.

vi. Susan Dowdy

Susan Dowdy was a daughter of Charlotte (Mayse) Dowdy and Elijah Dowdy. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Martha[3], Charlotte[4])

The 1850 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Susan Dowdy in the Elijah Dowdy household and her age as 9 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1841.

In her letter dated December 3, 1986, Jean B. Dowdey enclosed family group sheets which stated that Susan Dowdy was a daughter of Charlotte (Mayse) Dowdy and Elijah Dowdy and was born in 1841.

b. Judith Mays

Judith Mays was a daughter of Martha "Patsey" (Wright) Mayse and James Mayse. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Martha[3])

The will of James Mayse dated March 25, 1847, and probated on September 8, 1847, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 12/494 listed Judith Mays as one of his children:

> "In the name of God, Amen; I James Mays of the County of Bedford and State of Virginia, being weak in body but of sound mind and memory thanks be to God for his mercies and noing that it is appointed unto man once to die think proper to make this my last Will & Testament in manner and form following Viz, ...
>
> 8th I give and bequeath to my two daughters Judith Mays and Polly Mays one equal half of the balance of my land left to my wife after the death of my said wife, reserving however the above land disposed of to my son James together with the following property which my said daughters hath hitherto reserved of me (Viz) To each of my said daughters one bay mare bureau saddle, Bed and furniture stead and Cow delivered to have and to hold to them and their heirs forever.
> . . . .
>
> Item, It is my will and desire that that after the death of my wife that the residue of my estate not otherwise disposed of in this Will be disposed of as follows (Viz) that my son James D K Mays have one half of said estate of every feature and my Two Daughters Judith Mays and Polly Mays the other half say to each of my daughters one equal fourth of said estate To have and to hold to them and their heirs forever.
> . . . ."

The 1850 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed a Judy Mays, age 45 and born in Virginia, as a member of the household of James D. K. Mays. This was almost certainly the daughter of James and Patsey Mays and indicates that her birth was in 1805. Since James Mayse was residing in Bedford County, the place of birth of Judith Mays was probably at Bedford County, Virginia.

On April 24, 1854, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 15/174 a plat and survey was filed allocating 108-1/2 acres of the land of James Mays to his daughter Judith Mays:

> "July 30th 1850
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> Plat and courses of land alloted to Judith Mays in the division of her fathers land Lying in the County of Bedford on the head branches of cates creek a branch of Beaver dam containing 108-1/2 Acre Bounded as follows Viz Beginning at 2 possimons near grave yard corner to lot 1 & 3 in said division and represented in

the above plat Thence from 1 to 4 new lines with the lines of No 3 S 32-3/4 E 21 poles +ing the Creek in all 50 poles & 16 links to a sassafras from 2 to 3 S 56-1/2 E 32 poles & 15 links to a possimon from 3 to 4 56-1/4 W 45 poles +ing the Creek in all 84 poles to the road (N 87-1/2 W 10 poles from a white oak corner) thence along the road with Andersons line S 75 W 16 poles S 66 W 18 poles & five links to a Spanish oak Stump in the fork of a road from 4 to 7 S 83-3/4 W 93 poles to a Spanish oak Stump & Pointers near a branch thence from 7 to 9 nearly down the branch S 68-1/2 W 17 poles & 7 links to a dead white oak snag on the north side of the branch (dogwood pointers marked) 525-1/2 [S 25-1/2?] W 10-1/2 poles to a point in the branch opposite a white oak Pointer thence with Nemos old line from 9 to 10 N 36-1/4 W +ing a road at 10-1/2 poles in all 19 poles & 18 links to a red oak near the top of a ridge N 7-1/4 W 23 poles +ing a road in all 33 to a small dead red oak & Pointers Sorrel Bowles corner thence with his line from 11 to 12 N 18-3/4 E 18-1/2 poles crossing a branch 22-1/2 poles Passing through a spring in all 31 poles to small Hickory thence off new lines with lot No 1 S 86-3/4 E 16 poles & 22 links to Rock pile and pointers 2 Red & 2 White oaks from 13 to 1 N 39-1/4 E crossing a branch at 79 poles & 7 links 72 poles + Road 103 & 7 links +ing one prong of the Creak 106 poles 14 + the other prong in all 140 poles & 7 links to the beginning

Geo P Luck SCS
for James H Buford SBC

In the Clerks office of Bedford County Court the 24th day of April 1854 This plat & survey of land allotted to Judith Mays was produced in the office and at the request of James D K Mays recorded

Teste
A A Arthur CBC"

The 1860 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Judith Mays in the household of James D. K. Mays as follows:

Name	Age	Occupation	Born
Jas. D. K. Mays	40	Farmer	Virginia
S. E. Mays	31		Virginia
S. J. Dowdy	6		Virginia
Judith Mays	52		Virginia

This record places her date of birth in about 1808.

Our Kin stated that Judith Mays never married.

c. Mary "Polly" (Mays) Worley, Her Husband William Worley, And Her Descendants

Mary "Polly" (Mays) Worley was a daughter of Martha "Patsey" (Wright) Mayse and James Mayse. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Martha[3])

The will of James Mayse dated March 25, 1847, and probated on September 8, 1847, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 12/494 listed Polly Mays as one of his children:

> "In the name of God, Amen; I James Mays of the County of Bedford and State of Virginia, being weak in body but of sound mind and memory thanks be to God for his mercies and noing that it is appointed unto man once to die think proper to make this my last Will & Testament in manner and form following Viz, ...
>
> 8th I give and bequeath to my two daughters Judith Mays and Polly Mays one equal half of the balance of my land left to my wife after the death of my said wife, reserving however the above land disposed of to my son James together with the following property which my said daughters hath hitherto reserved of me (Viz) To each of my said daughters one bay mare bureau saddle, Bed and furniture stead and Cow delivered to have and to hold to them and their heirs forever.
> . . . .
>
> Item, It is my will and desire that that after the death of my wife that the residue of my estate not otherwise disposed of in this Will be disposed of as follows (Viz) that my son James D K Mays have one half of said estate of every feature and my Two Daughters Judith Mays and Polly Mays the other half say to each of my daughters one equal fourth of said estate To have and to hold to them and their heirs forever.
> . . . ."

The 1850 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed William Worley with the following household:

Name	Age	Occupation	Born
William Worley	59	mechanic	Virginia
Mary Worley	45		Virginia
William V. (?) Worley	21	mechanic	Virginia
Mary A. Worley	28		Virginia
Eliza J. Worley	26		Virginia
Caroline D. Worley	19		Virginia
Henry Worley	17	laborer	Virginia
James N. (?) Worley	2		Virginia
Joseph Worley	27		Virginia

This record places Mary (Wright) Worley's date of birth in about 1805 and William Worley's date of birth in about 1791. Since James Mays was residing in Bedford County, the place of birth of Mary was probably at Bedford County, Virginia.

On April 24, 1854, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 15/176 a plat and survey was filed allocating 168-1/2 acres of the land of James Mays to his daughter Polly Worley:

"July 30th 1850

Plat & courses of land allotted to Polly Worley daughter of James Mays in the division of her fathers lands known as lot No 3 in said division Lying in the County of Bedford on the head waters of cates creek a branch of Beaverdam containing 168-1/2 acres Bounded as follows beginning at a pile of rock in Gooleys line corner to Lot No 1 represented in the above plat as fig 1 from 1 to 2 with Gooleys line S 34-1/4 E 73 poles & 9 links to pile rocks by a fence from 2 to 3 N 48 E 28 poles & 10 links +ing a branch in all 58-1/2 to a white flint rock & Pointer white oak from 3 to 4 S 56-1/4 E 59-1/2 poles to a large Spanish oak by a pair draw bars Melsons corner from 4 to 5 with Melsons line S 27-1/2 W 117 poles & 5 links to pile rocks on a ridge from 5 to 6 S 60-1/2 E 34 poles +ing cates creek in all 138 poles & 10 links to a rock pile & pointer first oak & dogwood Dents corner red oak down from 6 to 7 with his line S 27-3/4 W 33 poles 20 links +ing sink hole Branch in all 87 poles to pile rocks near a spanish oak marked as corner 21 links from the oak Andersons Corner thence with his line N 59-1/2 W at about 88 poles passing the church in all 132 poles & 20 links to a white oak on the north side of a road at fig 8 thence from 8 to 9 N 87-1/2 W 10 poles to the corner of lot No 2 thence 9 to 12 with the lines of No 2 N 6-1/4 E at 41 poles +ing the creek in all 86 poles to a possimon from 10 to 11 N 56-1/2 W 32 poles & 15 links to a sasafras from 11 to 12 N 32-3/4 W at 29 poles & 16 links +ing the creek in all 50 poles & 16 links to 2 possimon near the grave yard corner to lot no

2 & 1 thence with the lines of No 1 N 17-1/2 W 32 poles to a 3 prong white oak from 13 to 1 N 21-3/4 E 59 poles & 20 links to the Beginning

George P Luck DS
For James H Buford SBS

In the Clerks office of Bedford County Court the 24th day of April 1854 this plat & survey of land allotted to Polly Worley was produced in the office & at the request of James D K Mays recorded"

This record confirms the marriage of Polly Mays to ____ Worley.

The 1880 Census for Bedford County listed Polly Worley, a member of the household of Joseph W. Mays, as his sister. She was listed in that census as aged 73 and born in Virginia, making her birth date in about 1807.

Our Kin stated that Polly Mays married William Worley and had one son killed in the Civil War. The fact that Polly was living with her brother in 1880 suggests that her husband had died prior to that date.

Bedford County Genealogical Records, citing the Bible record of Joseph Wright Mays, listed the death of Polly Worley on October 14, 1893.

From the evidence set forth above the only child of Mary "Polly" (Mayse) Worley and William Worley was the following:

1) James N.(?) Worley.

i. James N.(?) Worley

James N.(?) Worley was a son of Mary "Polly" (Mayse) Worley and William Worley. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Martha[3], Mary[4])

The 1850 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed James N.(?) Worley in the William Worley household and his age as 2 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1848.

Our Kin stated that Polly Mays and William Worley had one son who was killed in the Civil War.

d. Martha "Patsey" (Mayse) Carter, Her Husband William Price Carter, And Her Descendants

Martha "Patsey" (Mayse) Carter was a daughter of Martha (Wright) Mayse and James Mayse. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Martha[3])

The marriage bond of Martha Mayse, daughter of James, and William P. Carter was dated on January 23, 1836, at Bedford County, Virginia, with James M. Carter as surety. If Martha was at least 16 years of age at the time of her marriage, then her date of birth would be probably before 1821. The 1810 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed James Mayse with no sons and four daughters aged 0 to 10 years. James Mayse had six daughters that are known, one of whom, Agness, was born in 1817 and one of whom, Parmelia, was married in 1846. This information suggests strongly that Martha was one of the four daughters born between 1800 and 1810 and that her date of birth was, therefore, probably before 1810. Since James Mayse was residing in Bedford County, the place of birth of Martha was probably at Bedford County, Virginia.

The will of James Mayse dated March 25, 1847, and probated on September 8, 1847, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 12/494 listed Martha Carter as one of his children:

> "In the name of God, Amen; I James Mays of the County of Bedford and State of Virginia, being weak in body but of sound mind and memory thanks be to God for his mercies and noing that it is appointed unto man once to die think proper to make this my last Will & Testament in manner and form following Viz, ...
>
> " 4th I give and bequeath to my Daughter Marth Carter One Dollars
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> said sums to be paid to them or to such persons as shall be legally authorised on the several behalves to receive the same by my executors in full of their several interests in my estate the said Joseph M Mays Samuel K Mays Charlotte Dowdy and Martha Cater having heretofore received such advancements as in my opinion equals the just proportion of each of them in my estate taking into consideration the burthen that myself and wife may be to secure of my other children.
> . . . ."

Our Kin stated that William P. Carter and Martha (Mays) Carter lived and died in Santa Fe, New Mexico, and had a son Judge Joseph N. Carter who resided at Quincey, Illinois.

In her emails dated September 15, 1997, and November 4, 1997, Jean Couthran stated that Martha "Patsy" Mayse was born in about 1810 at Bedford County, Virginia, married William Price Carter on January 23, 1836, at Bedford County, Virginia, resided from 1836 to about 1840 or 1843 at Lynchburg, Virginia, resided from about 1840 or 1843 to about 1856 at Hardin County, Kentucky, resided after 1856 at Illinois, resided at Missouri, resided at Santa Fe, New Mexico, died in the early 1900's at Santa Fe, New Mexico, and was buried at Independence, Missouri, that William Price Carter was born about 1810 at Bedford County, Virginia, died at Santa Fe, New Mexico, and was buried at Independence, Missouri, and that Martha (Mayse) Carter and William Price Carter had the following children:

1) James M. Carter, born in 1837 at Lynchburg, Virginia,

2) Price Carter, born in 1838 at Lynchburg, Virginia,

3) Ellen J. Carter, born in 1840 at Lynchburg, Virginia,

4) Joseph Newton Carter, born on March 12, 1843, at Big Springs, Hardin County, Kentucky,

5) Eliza Ann Carter, born in 1845 at Big Springs, Hardin County, Kentucky,

6) Malinda Carter, born in 1847 at Big Springs, Hardin County, Kentucky,

7) Walter S. Carter, born in 1849 at Big Springs, Hardin County, Kentucky,

8) Elizabeth Carter, born in about 1850 at Big Springs, Hardin County, Kentucky,

9) Emma Permelia (Carter) Carr, born on November 16, 1852, and

10) Sam Carter, born about 1854 at Big Springs, Hardin County, Kentucky.

From the evidence set forth above the following was a child of Martha (Mayse) Carter and William P. Carter:

1) James M. Carter, born in 1837 at Lynchburg, Virginia,

2) Price Carter, born in 1838 at Lynchburg, Virginia,

3) Ellen J. Carter, born in 1840 at Lynchburg, Virginia,

4) Joseph Newton Carter, born on March 12, 1843, at Big Springs, Hardin County, Kentucky,

5) Eliza Ann Carter, born in 1845 at Big Springs, Hardin County, Kentucky,

6) Malinda Carter, born in 1847 at Big Springs, Hardin County, Kentucky,

7) Walter S. Carter, born in 1849 at Big Springs, Hardin County, Kentucky,

8) Elizabeth (Carter) Carr, born in about 1850 at Big Springs, Hardin County, Kentucky,

9) Emma Permelia Carter, born on November 16, 1852, and

10) Sam Carter, born about 1854 at Big Springs, Hardin County, Kentucky.

i. James M. Carter

James M. Carter was a son of Martha "Patsey" (Mayse) Carter and William Price Carter. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Martha[3])

In her emails dated September 15, 1997, and November 4, 1997, Jean Couthran stated that James M. Carter was a son of Martha "Patsey" (Mayse) Carter and William Price Carter and was born in 1837 at Lynchburg, Virginia.

ii. Price Carter

Price Carter was a son of Martha "Patsey" (Mayse) Carter and William Price Carter. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Martha[3])

In her emails dated September 15, 1997, and November 4, 1997, Jean Couthran stated that Price Carter was a son of Martha "Patsey" (Mayse) Carter and William Price Carter and was born in 1838 at Lynchburg, Virginia.

iii. Ellen J. Carter

Ellen J. Carter was a daughter of Martha "Patsey" (Mayse) Carter and William Price Carter. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Martha[3])

In her emails dated September 15, 1997, and November 4, 1997, Jean Couthran stated that Ellen J. Carter was a daughter of Martha "Patsey" (Mayse) Carter and William Price Carter and was born in 1838 at Lynchburg, Virginia.

iv. Joseph Newton Carter

Joseph Newton Carter was a son of Martha (Mays) Carter and William P. Carter. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Martha[3], Martha[4])

Our Kin stated that Joseph N. Carter was a son of Martha "Patsey" (Mays) Carter and William P. Carter, was a judge and resided in Quincy, Illinois.

In her emails dated September 15, 1997, and November 4, 1997, Jean Couthran stated that Joseph Newton Carter was a son of Martha "Patsey" (Mayse) Carter and William Price Carter and was born on March 12, 1843 at Big Springs, Hardin County, Kentucky.

v. Eliza Ann Carter

Eliza Ann Carter was a daughter of Martha "Patsey" (Mayse) Carter and William Price Carter. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Martha[3])

In her emails dated September 15, 1997, and November 4, 1997, Jean Couthran stated that Eliza Ann Carter was a daughter of Martha "Patsey" (Mayse) Carter and William Price Carter, was born in 1845 at Big Springs, Hardin County, Kentucky, and died at Kaskaskia, Illinois.

vi. Malinda Carter

Malinda Carter was a daughter of Martha "Patsey" (Mayse) Carter and William Price Carter. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Martha[3])

In her emails dated September 15, 1997, and November 4, 1997, Jean Couthran stated that Malinda Carter was a daughter of Martha "Patsey" (Mayse) Carter and William Price Carter, was born in 1847 at Big Springs, Hardin County, Kentucky, an died in July 1913 at Denver, Colorada.

vii. Walter S. Carter

Walter S. Carter was a son of Martha "Patsey" (Mayse) Carter and William Price Carter. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Martha[3])

In her emails dated September 15, 1997, and November 4, 1997, Jean Couthran stated that Walter S. Carter was a son of Martha "Patsey" (Mayse) Carter and William Price Carter, was born in 1849 at Big Springs, Hardin County, Kentucky, and died at Sedalia, Missouri.

viii. Elizabeth Carter

Elizabeth Carter was a daughter of Martha "Patsey" (Mayse) Carter and William Price Carter. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Martha[3])

In her emails dated September 15, 1997, and November 4, 1997, Jean Couthran stated that Elizabeth Carter was a daughter of Martha "Patsey" (Mayse) Carter and William Price Carter and was born about 1850 at Big Springs, Hardin County, Kentucky.

ix. Emma Permelia (Carter) Carr, Her Husband William Spencer Carr, And Her Descendants

Emma Permelia (Carter) Carr was a daughter of Martha "Patsey" (Mayse) Carter and William Price Carter. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Martha[3])

In her emails dated September 15, 1997, and November 4, 1997, Jean Couthran stated that Emma Permelia Carter was a daughter of Martha "Patsey" (Mayse) Carter and William Price Carter, was born on November 16, 1852, married William Spencer Carr on September 27, 1882, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, and died on August 14, 1904, at Denver, Colorado, that William Spencer Carr was born on July 31, 1847, at Milport, Chemung, New York, and died on May 6, 1904, at Governors Island, New York, and that Emma Permelia (Carter) Carr and William Spencer Carr had the following chidlren:

1) Leila Beatrice Carr, born on January 15, 1884,
2) Beulah Moselle Carr, born on January 3, 1886,
3) John Spencer William Carr, born on September 29, 1888,
4) Harold Ray Carr, born on September 24, 1890, and
5) Ralph Maxwell Carr, born on October 3, 1896.

x. Sam Carter

Sam Carter was a son of Martha "Patsey" (Mayse) Carter and William Price Carter. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Martha[3])

In her emails dated September 15, 1997, and November 4, 1997, Jean Couthran stated that Sam Carter was a son of Martha "Patsey" (Mayse) Carter and William Price Carter and was born about 1854 at Big Springs, Hardin County, Kentucky, and died at Sedalia, Missouri.

e. Joseph Wright Mays, His Wife Malinda (Wright) Mays, And His Descendants

Joseph Wright Mays was a son of Martha "Patsey" (Wright) Mayse and James Mayse. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Martha[3])

This family has been discussed above in connection with the family of 1850 Anthony Wright of Bedford County, son of 1803 John Wright of Bedford County, and the reader is referred to that section for information on this family.

f. Samuel K. Or C. Mayse

Samuel K. or C. Mayse was a son of Martha "Patsey" (Wright) Mayse and James Mayse. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Martha[3])

The will of James Mayse dated March 25, 1847, and probated on September 8, 1847, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 12/494 listed Samuel K. Mays as one of his children:

> "In the name of God, Amen; I James Mays of the County of Bedford and State of Virginia, being weak in body but of sound mind and memory thanks be to God for his mercies and noing that it is appointed unto man once to die think proper to make this my last Will & Testament in manner and form following Viz, ...
>
> " 2nd I give and bequeath to my son Samuel K Mays One Dollar
> . . . .
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> said sums to be paid to them or to such persons as shall be legally authorised on the several behalves to receive the same by my executors in full of their several interests in my estate the said Joseph M Mays Samuel K Mays Charlotte Dowdy and Martha Cater having heretofore received such advancements as in my opinion equals the just proportion of each of them in my estate taking into consideration the burthen that myself and wife may be to secure of my other children.
> . . . ."

The original edition of Our Kin listed Samuel C. Mayse as "went West and was lost sight of". Mrs. Parker's corrections to Our Kin included a statement that Samuel C. Mayse married Annis Linton at Davidson County, Tennessee. However, I believe that the Samuel Mays who married Annis Linton was probably Samuel J. Mays, the son of Samuel Mays and Agness (Wright) Mays, discussed above.

The 1810 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed James Mayse with no sons and four daughters aged 0 to 10 years. This evidence suggests that Samuel Mayse was born after 1809. Since James Mayse resided at Bedford County, the place of birth of Samuel was probably at Bedford County, Virginia.

g. Agness (Mays) Anderson, Her Husband Jubal A. Or L. Or B. Or K. Anderson, And Her Descendants

Agness (Mays) Anderson was a daughter of Martha "Patsey" (Wright) Mayse and James Mayse. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Martha[3])

The marriage bond of Agness Mays, daughter of James, and Jubal Anderson on November 11, 1842, at Bedford County, Virginia, with William L. Mays as surety.

The will of James Mayse dated March 25, 1847, and probated on September 8, 1847, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 12/494 listed Agness Anderson as one of his children:

> "In the name of God, Amen; I James Mays of the County of Bedford and State of Virginia, being weak in body but of sound mind and memory thanks be to God for his mercies and noing that it is appointed unto man once to die think proper to make this my last Will & Testament in manner and form following Viz, ...
>
> 5th I give and bequeath to my executor herein after named all my lots lying and being in the town of Liberty Bedford County together with all the improvements & appertainances to the same upon trust Nevertheless that he shall immediately after the death of myself and wife Patey Mays proceed to sell the said lots together with their improvements upon such terms as he shall think will most promote the interest of my estate and shall after the legal expenses attending the same shall have been paid proceed to divide the money arising from the sale of said town Lots between William L Mays and Agness Anderson taking into Consideration the several advancements which I may have charged against each of them at the time of my Death and then give to each of them such portion of the money arising from sade sale as will make each of them equal taking into consideration the advances as aforesaid.
> . . . .
>
> September 8" 1847
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> This is to Cirtify that after the tow lots is sold by my executor in Liberty & make William Mays and Agness Anderson 500 Dollars a pease with what they have had advanced to them both the ballance of the said of the two lots if any to go to James D K Mays in trust for Permiley Dilini whenevery he think proper to hand

the same to her - As I have left Permely Dilai nothing in my will it is my ernest request that William L Mays & Agness Anderson will consent to the above request

James Mays

. . . ."

The 1850 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Jubal Anderson with the following household:

Name	Age	Occupation	Born
Anderson, Jubal	29	Laborer	Virginia
Agnes	33		Virginia
Henry C.	6		Virginia
Virginia W.	3		Virginia
Martha A. E.	2		Virginia
Wm. H.	32	Laborer	Virginia

This record incidates a birth date for Agnes of approximately 1817 and for Jubal of approximately 1821. Since James Mayse was residing in Bedford County, the place of birth of Agnes was probably at Bedford County, Virginia.

The 1860 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Jubal L. B. or K. Anderson with the following household:

Name	Age	Sex	Occupation	Born
Jubal L. B. or K. Anderson	38	M	Farmer	Virginia
A.M.A. Anderson	42	F		Virginia
H. C. Anderson	15	M		Virginia
V. W. Anderson	12	F		Virginia
M. A. Anderson	10	F		Virginia
S.(?) J. M. Anderson	8	F		Virginia
J. E. Anderson	6	F		Virginia
C. K. Anderson	4	M		Virginia
W. D. Anderson	2	M		Virginia

This record places Agness (Mays) Anderson's date of birth in about 1818 and Jubal Anderson's in about 1822.

Our Kin stated that Agness (Mays) Anderson lived and died in Floyd County, Virginia.

From the evidence set forth above the children of Agness (Mays) Anderson and Jubal Anderson were the following:

1) Henry C. Anderson, born about 1844 or 1845 at Virginia,

2) Virginia W. Anderson, born about 1847 or 1848 at Virginia,

3) Martha A. E. Anderson, born about 1849 or 1850 at Virginia,

4) S. (?) J. M. Anderson, a daughter, born about 1852 at Virginia, probably at Bedford County, Virginia,

5) J. E. Anderson, a daughter, born about 1854 at Virginia, probably at Bedford County, Virginia,

6) C. K. Anderson, a son, born about 1856 at Virginia, probably at Bedford County, Virginia, and

7) W. D. Anderson, a son, born about 1858 at Virginia, probably at Bedford County, Virginia.

i. Henry C. Anderson

Henry C. Anderson was a son of Agnes (Mayse) Anderson and Jubal Anderson. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Martha[3], Agness[4])

The 1850 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Henry C. Anderson in the Jubal Anderson household and his age as 6 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1844.

The 1860 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed H. C. Anderson in the Jubal L. B. or K. Anderson household and his age as 15 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1845.

ii. Virginia W. Anderson

Virginia W. Anderson was a daughter of Agnes (Mayse) Anderson and Jubal Anderson. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Martha[3], Agness[4])

The 1850 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Virginia W. Anderson in the Jubal Anderson household and her age as 3 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1847.

The 1860 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Virginia W. Anderson in the Jubal L. B. or K. Anderson household and her age as 12 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1848.

iii. Martha A. E. Anderson

Martha A. E. Anderson was a daughter of Agnes (Mayse) Anderson and Jubal Anderson. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Martha[3], Agness[4])

The 1850 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Martha A. E. Anderson in the Jubal Anderson household and her age as 2 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1848.

The 1860 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed M. A. Anderson in the Jubal L. B. or K. Anderson household and her age as 10 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1850.

iv. S. (?) J. M. Anderson

S. (?) J. M. Anderson was a daughter of Agnes (Mayse) Anderson and Jubal Anderson. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Martha[3], Agness[4])

The 1860 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed S. (?) J. M. Anderson in the Jubal L. B. or K. Anderson household and her age as 8 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1852.

v. J. E. Anderson

J. E. Anderson was a daughter of Agnes (Mayse) Anderson and Jubal Anderson. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Martha[3], Agness[4])

The 1860 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed J. E. Anderson in the Jubal L. B. or K. Anderson household and her age as 6 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1854.

vi. C. K. Anderson

C. K. Anderson was a son of Agnes (Mayse) Anderson and Jubal Anderson. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Martha[3], Agness[4])

The 1860 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed C. K. Anderson in the Jubal L. B. or K. Anderson household and his age as 4 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1856.

vii. W. D. Anderson

W. D. Anderson was a son of Agnes (Mayse) Anderson and Jubal Anderson. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Martha[3], Agness[4])

The 1860 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed W. D. Anderson in the Jubal L. B. or K. Anderson household and his age as 2 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1858.

h. William S. Or L. Mays And His Wife Susan R. (Claytor) Mays

William S. or L. Mayse was a son of Martha "Patsy" (Wright) Mayse. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Martha[3])

The marriage bond of William L. Mays or Mayse and Susan R. Claytor, daughter of Dr. John, was dated February 10, 1843, at Bedford County, Virginia, with Samuel Claytor as surety and the marriage on February 15, 1843. If William Mayse and Susan R. Claytor were at least 16 years of age at the time of their marriage, their dates of birth would be probably before 1828. Since James Mayse was residing in Bedford County, William's place of birth was probably at Bedford County, Virginia.

The will of James Mayse dated March 25, 1847, and probated on September 8, 1847, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 12/494 listed William S. Mays as one of his children:

> "In the name of God, Amen; I James Mays of the County of Bedford and State of Virginia, being weak in body but of sound mind and memory thanks be to God for his mercies and noing that it is appointed unto man once to die think proper to make this my last Will & Testament in manner and form following Viz, ...
>
> 5th I give and bequeath to my executor herein after named all my lots lying and being in the town of Liberty Bedford County together with all the improvements & appertainances to the same upon trust Nevertheless that he shall immediately after the death of myself and wife Patey Mays proceed to sell the said lots together with their improvements upon such terms as he shall think will most promote the interest of my estate and shall after the legal expenses attending the same shall have been paid proceed to divide the money arising from the sale of said town Lots between William L Mays and Agness Anderson taking into

Consideration the several advancements which I may have charged against each of them at the time of my Death and then give to each of them such portion of the money arising from sade sale as will make each of them equal taking into consideration the advances as aforesaid.

. . . .

September 8" 1847

This is to Cirtify that after the tow lots is sold by my executor in Liberty & make William Mays and Agness Anderson 500 Dollars a pease with what they have had advanced to them both the ballance of the said of the two lots if any to go to James D K Mays in trust for Permiley Dilini whenevery he think proper to hand the same to her - As I have left Permely Dilai nothing in my will it is my ernest request that William L Mays & Agness Anderson will consent to the above request

James Mays

. . . ."

The 1830 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed one William Mays with the following members of his household:

Males	Age	Females	Age
1	30-40	1	30-40
1	20-30	3	5-10
1	0-5	2	0-5

Since William S. or L. Mayse did not marry until 1843, as set forth below, this was probably not his household.

Our Kin stated that William Mays went to Kentucky and Mrs. Parker's corrections stated that William L. Mayse married Susan R. Claytor on February 10, 1843, and went to McCracken County, Kentucky.

i. James David Kyle Mays And His Wife Sarah E. (Waugh) Mays

James David Kyle Mays was a son of Martha "Patsey" (Wright) Mayse and James Mayse. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Martha[3])

The will of James Mayse dated March 25, 1847, and probated on September 8, 1847, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 12/494 listed James D. K. Mays as one of his children:

> "In the name of God, Amen; I James Mays of the County of Bedford and State of Virginia, being weak in body but of sound mind and memory thanks be to God for his mercies and noing that it is appointed unto man once to die think proper to make this my last Will & Testament in manner and form following Viz, ...
>
> 7th I give and bequeath to my son James D K Mays after the death of my wife Patey Mays the tract of land purchased by me of Joshua Ryan Containing one hundred and sixteen acres, also one small lot running between the above named tract and Dr John Claytor's supposed to be 10 or 12 acres and also one equal half of the balance of land left to my wife (after after her death) together with the following property which he my said son has hitherto received of me One Bay horse, One bed and furniture stead and Cow and cord, one saddle and book case, to have and to hold to him and his heirs forever . . . .
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> Item, It is my will and desire that that after the death of my wife that the residue of my estate not otherwise disposed of in this Will be disposed of as follows (Viz) that my son James D K Mays have one half of said estate of every feature and my Two Daughters Judith Mays and Polly Mays the other half say to each of my daughters one equal fourth of said estate To have and to hold to them and their heirs forever.
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> Lastly I do hereby authorise Constitute and appoint my son James D K Mays my whole and sole Executor to this my last will and Testament revoking and making nul and void all former wills heretofore by me made, and it is further my will that the Court of Bedford County will permit my said Executor to qualify and act without requiring of him any security upon his official bond, believing that my said Executor will carry the foregoing will into effect agreeable to the true intent and meaning thereof. It is further my will and desire that my said Executor be invested with full power to arbitrate settle and compromise any business that he may think proper respecting my said estate.
> . . . .
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> September 8" 1847
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> This is to Cirtify that after the tow lots is sold by my executor in Liberty & make William Mays and Agness Anderson 500 Dollars a pease with what they have had advanced to them both the ballance of the said of the two lots if any to go to James D K Mays in trust for Permiley Dilini whenevery he think proper to hand the same to her - As I have left Permely Dilai nothing in my will it is my ernest

request that William L Mays & Agness Anderson will consent to the above request

James Mays

At a Court held for Bedford County September 27th 1847

This the last Will and Testament of James Mays Deceased together with the Codicil was produced in Court and said Will proved by the oath of Thomas Melson, Nathaniel Newsom Benjamin Bowles and William B Newsom subscribing witnesses thereto, and said Codicil proved to be wholly in the handwriting of the said James Mays deceased by the oath of Thomas Melson Benjamin Bowles and Micajah Davis and said Will and Codicil was ordered to be recorded. And on the motion of James D K Mays the executor in said Will named who made oath and entered into and acknowledged bond in the penalty of ten thousand Dollars (without security as directed by said Will) Conditioned according to law Certificate is granted him for obtaining a probat of said Will in due form

Teste
Jno R Steptoe C.B.C."

The marriage bond of James D. K. Mays and Sarah E. Waugh was dated on August 10, 1850, at Amherst County, Virginia, with Nicholas Waugh as surety.

The 1850 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed one James D. K. Mays, age 30 and born in Virginia, with the following members of his household:

Name	Age	Born
James D. K. Mays	30	Virginia
Sarah Mays	22	Virginia
Judy Mays	45	Virginia
3 non-Mays's.		

On April 24, 1854, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 15/175 a plat and survey was filed allocating 160-1/2 acres of the land of James Mays to his son James D. K. H. Mays:

"July 30th 1850

Plat & survey courses of James D K H Mays land allotted to him in the division of his fathers land Lying in the County of Bedford on both sides of cates creek a branch of Beaverdam containing 160-1/2 Acres & bounded as follows Viz

Beginning at Gooleys corner Red oak Stump & Pointers Spannish & chestnut oak represented in the above plat at fig 1 thence with Gooleys line from 1 to 2 S 34-1/4 E at 26 poles +ing the Pee town road in all 27 poles to pile rocks now corner in Gooleys line thence from (2 to 6 new lines) from 2 to 3 S 21-3/4 W 59 poles & 20 links to a three prong white oak from 3 to 4 S 17-1/2 E 32 poles to 2 possimons near the grave yard from 4 to 5 S 39-1/4 W at 35 poles & 18 links +ing a branch 37 poles +ing a branch 68 poles + road 71 poles +ing a branch in all 140 poles & 7 links to pile rocks & pointers 2 red & 2 white oaks from 5 to 6 N 86-3/4 W 16 poles & 22 links to a small hickory Bowles corner thence with his line from (6 to 15) from 6 to 7 N 27-1/2 W 44 poles to a dead red oak from 7 to 8 N 84 W 36 poles & 10 links to a white oak by a fence N 45-3/4 E 55 poles & 9 links to a small red oak in a flat N 53-1/2 W +ing cates creek 27 poles 10 links to a rock pen on the NW side of the creek from 10 to 11 S 86 W 22 poles 10 links +ing the meadow branch in all 62-1/2 poles to 3 Small hickorys from 11 to 12 N 62 W 11 poles & 9 links to a dead white oak from 12 to 13 N 49-1/2 W 11 poles to a spanish oak from 13 to 14 N 42-1/2 W 14 poles to pile rocks & Pointers red oak from 14 to 15 N 24-3/4 W 24 poles to a dead red oak & pointer white oak from 15 to 16 along his own line N 76 E 23 poles + branch 26-1/2 poles + branch 104 poles +ing branch 142 + hollow in all 175-1/2 poles to a chesnut oak on side the mountain from 16 to 1 N 63 E 81 poles & 15 links to the beginning

Geo P Luck DS
For James H Buford

In the Clerks office of Bedford County Court the 24th day of April 1854 This plat & survey of land allotted to James D K H Mays was produced in the office & at the request of James D K Mays recorded

Teste
A A Arthur CBC"

Bedford County Genealogical Records, citing the Bible record of Joseph Wright Mays, stated that J. D. K. Mays died while in the war at Richmond on July 1, 1862.

Bedford County, Virginia, Index to Deaths listed at Reg/270 the death of James D. E. (K?) Mays on July 1, 1862, at Drewry's Bluff of typhoid fever at age 37, parents James and Patsey Mays. His occupation was soldier, he had been born in Bedford and was married. The informant was listed as Joseph W. Mays, brother.

The will of James D. K. Mays was dated on April 12, 1862 and probated on July 28, 1862, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 19/89 and provided as follows:

"This is my last will and testament. Firs I will that my buriel expenses and all of just debts to be paid Second I Will Poly Ann and her children to my wife Sarah E Mays. Third I will and bequath one half of remainder of my esstate to my wife Sarah E Mays and the other half to Sarah Jane Dowdy provided she should live to be eighteen years of age the said Sarah Jane Dowdy is to be raised and educated with a common education out of the interest arrising from the estate will to Sarah Jane Dowdy and if the interest will not rais and her the principal must be used of the Sarah J Dowdy dos not live to be eighteen year of age the property above will her is to be equally divided between my bothers and Sisters now living in the Southern confedercy - I want Joseph W Mays to act as an executor and guardian for Sarah J Dowdy

This the twelfth of April one thousand eight hundred & sixty two

Witnesses James D K Mays
Henry Preas
Thomas J H Dowdy

At a Court of Quarterly Sessions begun and held for Bedford County, at the Courthouse, on Monday the 28th day of July 1862

This last will and testament of James D K Mays deceased was produced in Court, proved according to law by the oath of Henry Preas and Thomas J H Dowdy, the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded. And on the motion of Joseph W Mays, who made oath thereto and together with Alfred Gooldy and James M Matthews his securities, entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of Six thousand dollars, conditioned according to law, certificate was granted him to obtain a probate of said will in due form And the said bond was ordered to be recorded.

Teste
A A Arthur CBC"

Our Kin stated James David Kyle Mays was a son of James Mays and Martha "Patsy" (Wright) Mays and that he married Sarah Lloyd.

j. Permelia (Mays) Deyerle And Her Husband John Deyerle

Permelia (Mays) Dyerle was a daughter of Martha "Patsey" (Wright) Mayse and James Mayse. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], Martha[3])

The marriage bond of Permelia Mayse, daughter of James, and John Deyerle was dated on October 14, 1846, at Bedford County, Virginia, with James D. K. Mayse as surety. The will of 1847 James Mayse lists her married name as Diarlia, which is

obviously a close phonetic spelling Deyerle. If Permelia and John were at least 16 years of age at the time of their marriage, then their dates of birth would be probably before 1831. Since James Mayse resided in Bedford County, Permelia's place of birth was probably at Bedford County, Virginia.

The will of James Mayse dated March 25, 1847, and probated on September 8, 1847, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 12/494 listed Permelia Diarlia as one of his children:

> "In the name of God, Amen; I James Mays of the County of Bedford and State of Virginia, being weak in body but of sound mind and memory thanks be to God for his mercies and noing that it is appointed unto man once to die think proper to make this my last Will & Testament in manner and form following Viz, ...
>
> " 9th I give and bequeath to my daughter Permelia Diarlia and the lawful heirs of her body the following property which she has hitherto received of me Viz One negro Girl Nadine, one side board, one bed and furniture and Cash advanced for you $215, One Linnin wheal, One Cow (which property has been delivered) to have and to hold to her during her natural life and then to the lawful heirs of her body forever.
> . . . .
>
> September 8" 1847
>
> This is to Cirtify that after the tow lots is sold by my executor in Liberty & make William Mays and Agness Anderson 500 Dollars a pease with what they have had advanced to them both the ballance of the said of the two lots if any to go to James D K Mays in trust for Permiley Dilini whenevery he think proper to hand the same to her - As I have left Permely Dilai nothing in my will it is my ernest request that William L Mays & Agness Anderson will consent to the above request
>
> James Mays
>
> . . . ."

11. <u>1841 Matthew Wright Of Bedford County, His Wife Nancy (Holland) Wright, And His Descendants</u>

1841 Matthew Wright of Bedford County was a son of 1815 Joseph Wright of Bedford County and his second wife Judith (Pate) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2])

The 1797 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following household on April 8:

___	Persons Names Charge-able With the Tax	No of Tithes	No of Blacks over 12 Years	No of Horses mares Colts & mules	Car riage Wheels
Apl 8	Matthew Wright	1		1	

Ordinary License	Billard Tables	No of Studs	Rates of Covering

This record indicates that Matthew Wright was born before April 8, 1781.

On July 24, 1797, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 10/318 1815 Joseph Wright gifted 300 acres to his son Matthew Wright:

> "This Intur made this 24th day of July One thousand Seven hundred and ninety Seven betwen Josep Wright of Bedford County of the one part and Mathew Wright of the same County of the other part Witnesseth that the said Joseph Wright hath taken into consideration and hath given out of free good will and he the said Joseph Wright doth hereby acknowledge hath given granted and devested and by these presents doth give grant Sole deliver and confirm to him the said Matthew Wright his heirs and assigns forever One Sartain Track or parcel of Land Sitate Lying and being in the County of aforesaid and lying on both sides of Beverdam Creek and contaning Three hundred Akers and bounded as follereth Beginning at red oke thence North forty three degres West One hundred & thirty One poles to a white Oake thence South twenty four deges West One hundred & five poles to a red Oake thence South eighty nine Deges West eighty two poles to a popler thence South thirteen and half Deges West Two hundred & thurty nine nine poles to a White Oake thence North Eighty five Degres East eight poles to a pine thence North Seventy Six degres east Seventy poles to a pine thence South sixty two Degres East One hundred & twelve poles to a pine thence North fifty Nine degres East twenty four poles to a white Oake thence North eight degees East eighty three poles to a White Oak, thence North fifteen degraas east Sevety nine poles to a white Oake thence North Therty degres East One Hundred & Sixteen poles to the first Beginning. Will furdermore Appear together with all and Singar the previledges and appertancessces therunto bellonging or in anney wise appertanening to have and to hold the above given Land & Premises with all the appertanances to him the said Mathew Wright his heirs and assigns forever, to have hold Use ocupy prosses and injoy with every part and parsel thereof to him the said Mathew

Wright his heirs or assigns forever and aganst him the said Joseph Wright his heirs or assigns and aganst the Clame and Demand of all other parsons or Parsons whatsoever shall and will forever defend In Witness whereof the said Joseph Wright hath hereunto set his hand and Seal this day and year first above written.

Sealed Sin'd and delevered in presents of us. teste — Joseph Wright

Morandum that on the day and year first within Menchened quiart & peceble prossition and Seezen of the within mentinoched land and primises with all the appertanances was given & made by Joseph Wright to Mathew Wright according to the true Mening and Intent of the within written Deed.

In present of us
Test.

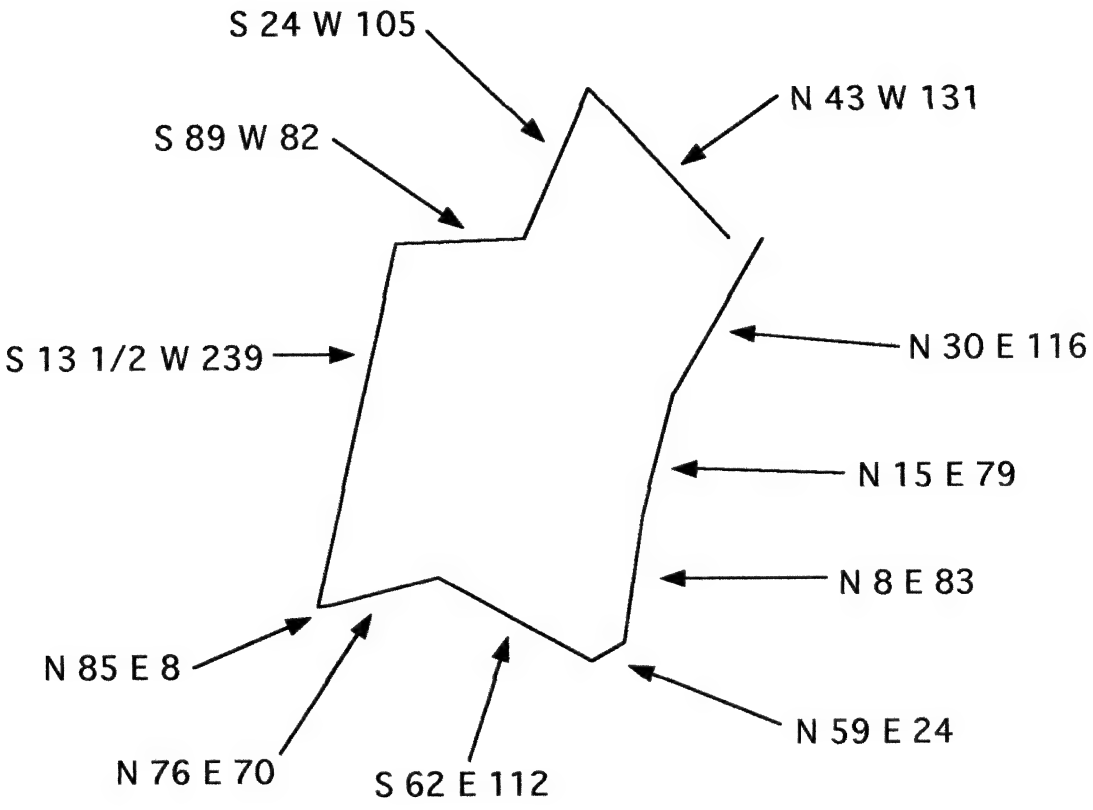
At a Court held for Bedford County the 24th day of July 1797. This Indenture was acknowledged by Joseph Wright party thereto and Ordered to be recorded.

Teste,
Ja: Steptoe, C.B.C."

A plat of that legal description appears as follows:

Bedford County, Virginia

Deed 10/318



The location of that land has been set forth above in connection with 1815 Joseph Wright of Bedford County.

The 1797 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Persons Names Owning Land	No. of Lotts	Yearly Rent of Lotts	Quantity of Land	Rate of Land p acre
Matthew Wright			200	7.1
Ditto			100	10.11

Total Amt. of Value of Land Exclusive of Lotts	Amt. of Taxes at One and a half p Cent
70.16.8	1.1.3
54.11.8	16.4½

This record reflects the acquisition of 300 acres of land by Bedford Deed 10/318.

The 1798 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following household on April 6:

____	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	No. of Tithes	No of Blacks over 12 years	No Horses Mares Colts and Mules	Carriage Wheels
April 6	Matthew Wright	1		1	

Ordinary Licence	Stud Horses	Rates of Covering

The 1798 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Persons Names Owning Land	No. of Lotts	Yearly Rent of Lotts	Quantity of Land	Rate of Land p acre
Matthew Wright			200	1.19
Ditto			100	1.87

Total Amt. of Value of Land Exclusive of Lotts	Amt. Tax @ 38 Cents for every 100 __ & on Lotts @ $4.17 for every $333.34 of the rents __
238.00	.90
182.00	.69

The 1799 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following household on April 11:

Date	Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	No. of tithes	No. of Blacks Over 12 Years	No. of Horses, Mares, Colts & Mules
Apl 11	Matthew Wright	1		2

Carriage Wheels	Ordinary License	Stud Horses	Rates of Covering

The 1799 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Persons Names Owning Land	No. of Lotts	Yearly Rent of Lotts	Quantity of Land	Rate of Land p acre
Matthew Wright			200	1.19
Ditto			100	1.82
Ditto of M. Pate			89	1.22

Total Amt. of Value of Land Exclusive of Lotts	Amt. Tax @ 38 Cents for every $100 & on Lotts @ $4.17 for every $333.34
238.00	.90
182.00	.69
108.58	.41

This record reflects the purchase of 89 acres of land by Bedford County Deed 11/143 set forth below.

On August 29, 1799, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 11/143 Matthew Wright purchased a further 89 acres of land from Matthew Pate:

"This Indenture made this 29th day of August in the year of our Lord one Thousand seven hundred and ninety nine Between Matthew Pate of the County of Bedford of the one part and Matthew Wright of the county aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth that the said Matthew Pate for and in Consideration of the sum of Eighty nine pounds Virginia currency to him in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath granted bargained & sold and do by these presents grant bargain sell deliver & confirm unto the Said Matthew Wright his heirs & assigns forever a certain tract or parcel of Land lying & being in the said County of Bedford on the branches of Beaverdamn Creek containing Eighty nine acres and bounded as followeth to wit, Begining at a poplar on Thomas Pates line thence new lines north Eighty nine Degrees East Eighty two poles to a red oak: north twenty four Degrees East one hundred and five poles to a white oak north forty three Degrees West one hundred and Eight poles to a Gum thence along Thomas Pates line ninety four poles to a pine thence along said line Sixty Six poles to a Stake thence along said line thirty poles to a Stake thence along the same fourteen poles to the Begining To have and to hold the said Land and premises with its appurtenances unto the said Matthew Wright his heirs and assigns forever and the said Matthew Pate doth covenant for himself and his heirs that he will forever Warrant and Defend the aforesaid Land & premises with its Appurtenances unto the said Matthew Wright his heirs & assigns for ever against the claims of him the said Matthew Pate his heirs and assigns and all other persons whatsoever. In Witness Whereof the said Matthew Pate hath hereunto set his hand & seal the the Day & year above written

Teste Jotin Pate
Matthew Pate Jun
Cornels Pate

Matthew Pate

At a Court held for Bedford County the 23d day of December 1799 This Indenture was acknowledged by Matthew Pate party thereto & ordered to be recorded

Teste
Jo Steptoe CBC"

The 1800 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following household on March 24:

Date of Receiving	Persons Names Chargeable With The Tax	No of Tithes	No of Blacks over 12	No Horses Mares Colts & Mules
Mar 24	Matthew Wright	1		2

Carriage Wheels	Ordinary License	No of Studs	Rates of Carrying

The 1800 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Persons names owning land	No. of Lotts	Yearly Rent of Lotts	Quantity of Land	Rate of Land p acre
Matthew Wright			200	1.19
Ditto			100	1.82
Ditto of Pate			89	1.22

Total Amt. of Value of Land Exclusive of Lotts	Amt. Taxes @ 38 Cents for every $100 & Lotts $4.17 for every $333.34
238.00	.90
182.00	.69
108.50	.41

On March 22, 1800, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Thomas Walker executed his promissory note for 500 pounds of tobacco payable to Matthew Wright:

"March the 22th Day 1800

I thomas Walker of Bedford County Do promise to pay or Cause to be paid unto Matthew Wright of said County five hundred pounds of Lynchburg inspected 6 __ tobacco to be paid on or before the 25th Day of December Next for which I bind myself my Heirs &c as Witness my hand and Seal

Test
Joseph Wright
his
Roshera x Prat
mark

his
Thomas X Walker
mark

April the 7 - 1801
Received of the within Bond 25 Pounds of tobacco"

On about July 20, 1800, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Matthew Wright filed a complaint against Thomas Walker for payment of a promissory note for 500 pounds of tobacco:

"To the worshipful the Court of Bedford County Mathew Wright humbly Sheweth that Thomas Walker Stands indebted to him five hundred weight of Lynchburg Inspected Tobacco by note With Seal and refuseth payment wherefore your petitioner prays Judgment against him for the Same With Costs and Shall pray &c"

On July 20, 1800, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers a summons was issued against Thomas Walker to answer the complaint of Matthew Wright for payment of a promissory note for 500 pounds of tobacco:

"The Commonwealth of Virginia to the Sheriff of Bedford County, Greeting We Command you that you Summon Thomas Walker to Appear before the Justices of our Said County Court at the Court house of our Said County on the fourth Monday in Next Month to answer the petition of Matthew Wright exhibited against him and have then there this Writ Witness James Steptoe Clerk of Our Said Court the 20th day of July 1801 In the 26th year of our foundation

Ja Steptoe"

The 1801 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following household on July 31:

Date of Receiving	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	No. of Tithes	No. Blacks over 12	No of horses mares colts & mules	Car-riage Wheels
July 31	Matthew Wright	1		1	

Ordinary License	Stud Horses	Rate of Covering

The 1801 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Persons names Owning Land	No. of Lotts	Yearly Rent of Lotts	Quantity of Land	Rate of land p acre
Matthew Wright			200	1.19
Ditto			100	1.82
Ditto of M. Pate			89	1.22

Total Amt. of Value of land ex-clusive of Lotts	Amt of Taxes at 38 Cents for every $100 and Lotts at fifty every $333 & 33 Cts
238.00	.90
182.00	.69
108.50	.41

On March 22, 1802, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Hampton Haynes executed his promissory note for 1500 pounds of tobacco payable to Matthew Wright:

> "I Hampton Haynes of Botetourt County do promise & Oblige myself my heirs &c to pay or Cause to be paid Unto Matthew Wright or his Assigns the Just & ful Quantity of Fifteen hundred pounds of Crop Inspected Tobacco at the Lynchburg Inspection On Or before the 25th day of December Next with Interest thereon

from the 25th day of December 1800 It being then due for the true payment of Which I Bind myself my heirs &c. in the penal Quantity of three thousand pounds of the above like Tobacco. In Witness Where of I have here Unto Set my hand that this 22d day of March 1802

Test Hampton Haynes
Jno. Pate

The within Bound Hampton Haynes is to prize the Hhd. as near 1500 lb as possible of lacing any the Said Haynes to make up the bal: in cash at 20/- p¢ If Over 1500 lb the said Wright is to pay to Haynes the market price when he receives the Tobo

Teste Hampton Haynes
Jno Pate"

On February 18, 1803, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers a summons was issued against Hampton Haynes to answer a complaint of Matthew Wright for payment of a promissory note for 1500 pounds of tobacco:

"The Common Wealth of Virginia to the Sheriff of Bedford county greeting. We command you to take Hampton Haynes if he be found within your bailiwick & him safely keep so that you have his body before our Justices of our court of our said County at the Courthouse thereof on the fourth monday in March next to answer Matthew Wright of a Plea of Debt for three thousand pounds of crop inspected Tobo. at the Lynchburg Inspection Damage Ten pounds. And have then there this writ. Witness James Steptoe Clerk of our said Court, the 18th day of February 1803. In the 27th year of our foundation.

J. Steptoe"

The 1802 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following household on August 21:

Date of Receiving Lists from Individuals	Persons Names Chargeable With The Tax	No. of White Males Over 16	Blacks above 12 Years old	Blacks above 16 Years old
Aug 21	Matthew Wright	1		

				Carriage Wheels		
Horses Mares Colts & Mules	Ordinary Licence	Stud Horses	Rate of Covering by the Season	Barouches Chariots & Post Chaises	Other rideing 4 Wheel Carriages	Riding carriages with 2 wheels
2						

The 1802 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Persons Names Owning Land and Lots	No of Lots	Yearly rent of Lots	Quantity of Land	Rate of Land p acre
Matthew Wright			200	1.19
Ditto			100	1.82
Ditto			89	1.22

Total amount of the value of land exclusive of Lots	Amount of Taxes at Forty __ for $100 and $1.56 on $100 of each of Lots
238.00	1.15
182.00	.89
108.50	.52

The 1803 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following household on August 20:

Date of Receiving Lists from Individuals	Persons Names Chargeable With The Tax	No. of White Males above 16	Blacks above 12 years old	Blacks above 16 years old	Horses Mares Colts and Mules
Aug 20	Matthew Wright	1			2

Ordinary License	Stud Horses	Rate of Covering by the Season	Coaches Chariots &c	Other riding 4 Wheel Carriages	Riding Chaises &c

The 1803 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Persons names Owning Land	No of Lots	Yearly Rent of Lots	Quantity of Land	Rate of Land p Acre
Matthew Wright			200	1.19
ditto			100	1.82
ditto			89	1.22

Total amount of the Value of Lands Exclusive of Lots	Amount of Tax at Forty Eight Cents for $100 and $1.56 Cents on $100 of the rent of Lots
238.00	1.15
182.00	.89
108.50	.52

The 1804 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following household on August 20:

Date of Receiving Lists from Individuals	Persons Names Chargeable With The Tax	No of White Males above 16	Blacks above 12 years old	Blacks above 16 years old	Horses Mares Colts and Mules
Aug 20	Matthew Wright	1			2

Ordinary Licence	Stud Horses	Rates of Covering by the season	Coaches Chariots &c	other Riding 4 Wheel riding Carriages	Chairs &c	

The 1804 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Persons Names Owning Land	No of Lots	Yearly Rent of Lots	Quantity of Land	Rate of Land Pr Acre
Matthew Wright			200	1.19
ditto			100	1.82
ditto			89	1.22

Total amount of the Value of Lands Exclusive of Lots	Amount of Tax at 48 Cents for $100 and $1.56 Cents on $100 of the rent thereof
238.00	1.15
182.00	.89
108.50	.52

The 1805 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following household on May 29:

Date of Receiving Lists from Individuals	Persons Names Chargable with the Tax	No of White Males above 16	Blacks above 12 years old	Blacks above 16 years old
May 29	Mathew Wright	1		

Horses Mares Colts & Mules	Other Taxable Property
2	

The 1805 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Persons Names Owning Land	No of Lots	Yearly Rent of Lots	Quantity of Land	Rate of Land Per Acre
Matthew Wright			200	1.19
Ditto			100	1.82
Ditto			89	1.22

Total Amount of the Value of Lands Exclusive of Lots	Amount of Tax at 48 Cents for $100 and$1.56 Cents on $100 of the rent of Lots
238.00	1.15
182.00	.89
108.50	.52

The 1806 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following household on April 19:

Date of Receiving Lists from Individuals	Persons Names Chargable with the Tax	No of White Males above 16	Blacks above 12 years Old	Blacks above 16 years Old
April 19	Matthew Wright	1		

Horses Mares Colts & Mules	Other Taxable Property
2	

The 1806 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Persons Names Owning Land	No of Lots	Yearly rent of Lots	Quantity of Land	Rate of Land p Acre
Matthew Wright			200	1.19
ditto			100	2.82
ditto			89	1.22

Total amount of the value of Land Exclusive of lots	Amount of the Tax at 48 Cents for $100 worth & $1.56 Cts on $100 of the rent of lots
238.00	1.15
182.00	.89
108.50	.52

The 1807 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Owning Property	No of White Males above 16	Blacks above 12 under 16	Blacks above 16	Horses Mares Coults & Mules	Other Taxable Property in Manu-script
Matthew Wright	1			3	

The 1807 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Persons names Owning Land	Quan-tity of Land	Rate of Land p Acre	Total amount of the Value of Land Exclusive of Lots	Total Amt. of Tax on Lots & Land
Matthew Wright	200	1.19	238.00	1.15
ditto	100	1.82	182.00	.89
ditto	89	1.22	108.50	.52

In December 1807 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 14/261 Matthew Wright was appointed surveyor of a road from Beaverdam Creek to Weaver's Creek:

> "Ord. that Matthew Wright be appointed surveyor of the road from Beaver Dam creek to Weaver's Creek in the room of Wm Shrewsbury"

In September 1808 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order 15/9 hands were alloted to work under Matthew Wright on road repair:

"A return of an allotment of hands to work under Matthew Wright Anthony Wright James Johnson & John Holliday surveyors of roads & ordered to be filed"

On February 7, 1809, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 15/45 Matthew Wright was appointed constable:

"Ordered that Matthew Wright be appointed a constable in the room of John Blankenship who made oath & gave bond & Secy according to Law."

On February 27, 1809, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 12/419 Matthew Wright executed a surety bond in connection with his appointment as constable for Bedford County:

"Know all men by these presents that We Matthew Wright John Blankenship, & William Faulkner are held and firmly bound unto John Tyler Esq. Governor or Chief Magistrate of the State of Virginia in the sum of five hundred Dollars current money of Virginia to which payment well and truly to be made to the said Govr. or to his Successor for the use of the Com: Wealth we bind ourselves and each of our Heirs &c firmly by these presents seald. with our Seals and dated this 27th day of Feby. 1809. The Condition of the above Obligation is such that whereas Mathew Wright is appointed Constable in and for the County of Bedford. Now if the sd. Matthew Wright shall well and truly discharge the duties of the office of Constable for the said County then this Obligation to be Void else to remain in full force & Virtue.

In the Presence of)

Matthew Wright
John Blankenship

At a Court held for Bedford County at the Courthouse the 27th Feby 1809. This Bond was acknowledged by Mathew Wright & John Blankenship & Ordered to be Recorded.

Teste
J Steptoe CBC"

The 1809 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following household:

Persons Names 1 March 1809	No Whites Over 16 years old	Blacks Over 16	Blacks Over 12 under 16	Horses	Other Taxable property mentioned in manuscript
Matthew Wright	1			3	

The 1809 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Persons Names Owning Land	Quantity Of Land	Rate of Land Per Acre	Total Amount of the Vaue Of Land Exclusive of Lots
Matthew Wright	200	1.19	238.00
ditto	100	1.82	182.00
do	89	1.22	108.50

In June 1809 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 15/104 Matthew Wright was appointed constable in the 1st Battalion, 10th Regiment:

> "Ordered that Barnard Eidson Sampson Sharp & Zachh Wheat be appointed constables in the 1 Batt. & 91st(?) Regt. Aaron Dewitt and William Thorp in the 2d Battn. & 91 Regt. Matthew Wright Thomas Alexander & Thomas Davis in the 1 Batt & 10th Regt. & Thomas Carey & Garland Hurt in the 2d Batt. & 10th Regt."

On June 26, 1809, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 12/422 Matthew Wright executed another surety bond in connection with his appointment as constable in the 1st Battallion, 10th Regiment, for Bedford County:

> "Know all men by these presents that Matthew Wright John H. Otey & John Pate are held & firmly bound unto John Tyler Esqr. Govr. or chief Magistrate of the state of Va. in the sum of five hundred Dollars, for the true payment of which to the Govr. or to his successor We bind ourselves & each of us our & each of our Heirs &c. Jointly & severally firmly by these presents seald. & dated this 26th day of June 1809. The Condition of the above is such that whereas the above bound Matthew Wright is appointed a constable in & for the County of Bedford in the 1st. batt & 10th regiment Now if the said Matthew Wright shall well & truly

discharge the duties of the office of constable in and for the County aforesaid then this Obligation to be void else to remain in full force & virtue

Signd & acknowd	)	Matthew Wright
in presence of	)	John Pate
the Court	)	Jno H. Otey
Oteys name signed by	)	
request	)	

At a Court held for Bedford County at the Courthouse the 26th June 1809. This Bond was acknowledged by Matthew Wright John Pate & John H. Otey & ordered to be recorded.

Teste
J Steptoe C.B.C."

The 1810 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With The Tax	No. of White Males above Sixteen years	Blacks Above Sixteen Years Old	Blacks Above twelve	Horses, Mares Colts & Mules	Ordinary License
Matthew Wright	1			3	

Billiard Tables	Stud Horses	Rate of Cover-ing per Season	Coaches Chariots & post & Mules	Other riding four W. chaises	Riding Carriages with two wheels

The 1810 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Owners of Land 1810	Quantity of Land	Rate of Land per Acre	Total Amt. of the Value Of Land Exc;isove of Lots	Amount of Tax on Lots and Land
Matthew Wright	200	1.19	238.00	1.15
ditto	100	1.82	182.00	.89
do	89	1.22	108.50	.52

The 1810 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed one Matthew Wright with the following members of his household:

Name of Head of Family	Free White Males	Age	Free White Female	Age	All Other Free Persons	Slaves
Matthew Wright	1	26-45	1	16-26		2
	3	0-10	2	0-10		

This record indicates that Matthew Wright was born between 1765 and 1784 and that his wife was born between 1784 and 1794.

In July 1810 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 15/251 Matthew Wright resigned his office of constable:

> "Matthew Wright Came into court & resigned his office of Constable for this county"

The 1811 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following household on March 1:

Date of Receiving Lists	Persons Names Owning Property 1 March 1811	No of Whites Over 16 years	Blacks Over 16 years	Blacks over 12 under 16	Horses Mares Colts& Mules
	Matthew Wright	1			3

Other Taxable property
in Manuscript

The 1811 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Persons names Owning Lots & Lands 1811	Quantity Of Land	Rate of Land per Acre	Total Amt. of Value of Land excluding Lots	Total Tax On Lots and Land
Matthew Wright	200	1.19	238.00	1.15
Do	100	1.82	182.00	.89
Do	89	1.22	108.50	.52

The 1812 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following household on February 28:

Persons Names Owning Taxable Property last day of February 1812	Whites over 16 yrs old	Blacks over 16	Blacks over 12 & under 16	Horses Mares Colts &c	Other Taxable Property
Matthew Wright	1	1		3	

The 1812 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Mat Wright with the following property:

Persons Names Owning Land 1812	Quantity Of Land	Rate of Land Per Acre	Total Amount the Value Of Land	Tax on Lots & Land	Location Lots & Land
Mat Wright	200	1.19	238.00	1.15	Beaver Dam
Do	100	1.82	182.00	.89	Same
Do	89	1.22	108.50	.52	Same

The 1813 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Mathew Wright with the following household:

Date When Lists	Persons Names owning property 1813	White males over 16	Blacks over 16 years	Blacks 12 & Under 16	Horses colts mares & Mules
	Mathew Wright	1	1		2

Giggs & Riding Carriages of all kinds 2 & 4 wheels Stud horses jacks Mills & _____
Licence Ordinary Licence &c _____

The 1813 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Persons Names Owning Lots & Land	Quantity Of Land	Rate of Land Per Acre	Total Amount Of Land	Tax on Lots & Land	
Matthew Wright	200	1.19	238.00	1.52	Bever Dam
ditto	100	1.82	182.00	1.17	on the same
ditto	89	1.22	108.50	.70	on the same

The 1814 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following household:

Names of Persons Taxable in the district of William Leftwich pr Com. Rev. Bedford 1814	White Males Over 16 yrs	free Male Negroes & Mulattos Over 16	Blacks Over 16 years	Blacks Over 12 & under 16
Matthew Wright	1		1	

Total of free negroes & Mulattos Over 16	Horses Mares Mules & Colts	Other Taxable Property
	3	

The 1814 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Name Of Owner	Residence	Estate	Number of Town Lots	Name of the Town
Matthew Wright	prem.	fee		
Do		fee		
Do		fee		

Yearly Rent of Lots in Dollars & Cents	Amount of Tax on Lots at $2.77 p $100 Rent	Number Acres of Land	Description of the Land
		200	Beverdam Adjg Geo Stovey(?)
		100	Millener Haynes
		89	adjg same
			same same

Distance& Genl bearing from the Court House	Rate of Land p Acre	Total Value of Land	Amount of Taxes On Land at 85 Cts Per $100 Value	Total Of Tax On Lots & Land	Explanation of the item during the preceding(?) year(?)
18W	1.19	238.00	2.03	2.03	
	1.82	182.00	1.56	1.56	
	1.22	108.50	.94	.94	

The will of 1815 Joseph Wright dated February 21, 1815, and probated on September 11, 1815, at Bedford County, Virginia, Superior Court Book A/15 listed Matthew Wright as one of his children:

> ". . . . 6thly, All the balance of my Estate both real and personal of every description after the payment of my just debts and funeral expenses I give and bequeath to my five sons, Thomas, John, Joseph, Matthew, & Rite Wright, & to my five daughters, Mary Greer, Agness Mayse, Judith McCormack, Patsy Mayse, & Barsheba Simmons, & to the Heirs of my Daughter Nancy Meador, decd. to be equally divided between them respectively . . . ."

The 1815 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following household on April 15:

		No. of white males above 16 yrs old	Slaves between 9 & 12 years old	Slaves above 12 years old	Horses asses mules mares & Colts
Date	Names				
Apl 15	Matthew Wright	1	1	1	4

Stud horses			Carriages			
No.	Rate of Covering mares	No. of heads of Cattle	2 wheeled riding carriages	Phaetons & stage waggons	Publick stages	all other 4 riding Carriages

Mills	Toll Bridges & Ferrys	Tan yards	Free male negroes above 16 years old	Watches: Gold silver or pinchmark	Watches: Single Cased Gold	Watches: Double Case Gold

Livery stables & No of stals or ____ country sufficient for The accommodation of one horse	houses in the exceeding in value $500	Ice houses: for private use	Ice houses: from which ice is sold	Clocks: works of wood without case	Clocks: works of wood in the case	Clocks: works principally of metal

Clocks [cont'd]: of value between 50 & 100$	Clocks [cont'd]: of Value of $100 & upwards	Coal Pitts	Printers & the subscriptions annually to their papers	Furniture: Bureau, secatary or book case chest of Drawers wardrobe clothes press Dining Table or Separate __ of bedsteads Side Board without Drawers or doors Tea Tables or Card Table in whole or __ of mahogany Ce__ett or side board with drawers or doors Settee or Sopha chairs Carpets window curtains & venetian blinds within the window of any house

Furniture [Cont'd]: Portraits Pictures print or Engraving mirror or Looking Glass Pianoforte Harpsicord Organ or Harp	Furniture [Cont'd]: Urn Coffee or Tea pot Candlesticks ___ Chandelier __ or __ andole wash bason stand or salver Tankard Cups or Waiter	Total ___ of Tax $ cts
		2.35

The 1815 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Mathew Wright with the following property:

Persons Names	Residence	Estate	Number of Town Lots	Name of the Town
Mathew Wright	prem	fee		
ditto		fee		
ditto		fee		

Yearly Rent of Lots in Dollars & Cents	Amount of Tax on Lots at $2.77 p $100 Rent	Number Acres of Land	Description of the Land
		200	Beaverdam Adjg Geo Stover &c
		100	On the same adj the same
		89	On the same adj the same

Distance & Genl bearing from the Court House	Rate of Land p Acre	Total Value of Land	Amount of Taxes On Land at 85 Cts Per $100 Value	Total of Tax On Lots & Land	Explanation of the item during the preceding(?) year(?)
18W	1.19	238.00	2.03		
	1.82	182.00	1.56		
	1.22	108.50	.94		

On November 27, 1815, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 17/96 Matthew Wright was appointed guardian for Judah Meador:

"The court doth appoint Matthew Wright guard: of Judah Meador who gave bond & Secy accg to Law"

On January 31, 1816, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 15/66 Matthew Wright joined with other heirs of 1815 Joseph Wright to sell 50 acres of land to Peter Dent:

"This Indenture made made this thirty first day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixteen between Thomas Wright, John Wright Joseph Wright Martin Greer & Mary his wife Samuel Mayse and Agness his wife William McCormack and Judith his wife, Matthew Wright, Wright Wright, James Mayse and Patsy his wife Joel Simmons and Barsheba his wife and Thomas

Wright James Mayse John Turner and Matthew Wright guardians for Jane Meadow, Jubal Meadow, Joseph Meador, Judith Meadow and John Meadow children and distributees of Nancy Meadow decd. heirs and legatees of Joseph Wright decd. of Bedford County and state of Virginia of the one part and Peter Dent of the County and State aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth that the said Thomas Wright & Others for and in consideration of the sum of one hundred dollars current money of the United states to them in hand paid by the said Peter Dent the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged by the said Thomas Wright and others who hath granted bargained and sold and by these presents doth grant bargain sell and confirm unto the said Peter Dent his heirs and assigns forever a certain tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in the said County of Bedford on Beaverdam and Cates Creeks containing Fifty acres be the same more or less and bounded as followeth to wit; Begining on Cates Creek in Micajah McConnack's line to run with his line to Richard McConnacks corner white oak, and with his line to stewarts line, and with his line crossing Beaverdam Creek to the south end of Buck hill and thence along the top of Buck hill to Beaverdam Creek and down said Creek to the mouth of Cates Creek crossing Beaverdam and up Cates Creek on the south side thereof to the begining. To Have And To Hold the aforesaid tract of Land with its appurtenances unto the said Peter Dent his heirs and assigns forever and the said Thomas Wright, John Wright Joseph Wright, Martin Greer and Mary his wife Samuel Mayse and Agness his wife William McCormack & Judith his wife Matthew Wright Wright Wright, James Mayse and Patsy his wife Joel Simmons and Barsheba his wife, & Thomas Wright James Mayse and John Turner & Matthew Wright guardians for Jane Meador, Jubal Meador, Joseph Meador Judith Meador and John Meador Children and distributees of Nancy Meadow decd. heirs and legatees of the said Joseph Wright decd. for themselves and their heirs doth covenant and agree to forever warrant and defend that above granted land and premises with all its appurtenances against the claims and demands of all persons whatsoever unto the said Peter Dent his heirs and assigns forever. In Witness whereof they have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals the day and year first above written.

Sign'd, Sealed and
acknowledged
In presence of
Lawrence McGeorge
James Wright
Tommy Wright
Leroy Jourdan

Thos. Wright
Joseph Wright
William McCormack
Judith McCormack
James Mayse
Patsy Mayse
Thos. Wright Guardn
for Joseph Meador
James Mays Guardn
for Jubal Meador
Matthew Wright

Rite Wright
Judith McCormack
Matthew Wright Guardn
for Judith Meador

Franklin County to wit,

We Lewis Tumbull and Stephen Smith magistrates of said county, do hereby certify that William McCormack and Judith his wife parties to the within conveyance hath duly acknowledged the same before us, and the said Judith being duly examined seperate and apart from her said husband doth relinquish her right of dower in and to the land in this Indenture mentioned and that she doth the same voluntarily and of her own accord and not influenced by the threats or persuasions of her said husband and that she together with William McCormack her husband desires that the acknowledgment aforesaid may be recorded. Taken and subscribed before us this 26th day of August 1816.

Lewis Turnbull
Ste. Smith

At a Court held for Bedford County at the Courthouse the 26th day of August 1816.

This Indenture of bargain and sale between Thomas Wright John Wright, Joseph Wright, Martin Greer & Mary his wife Samuel Mayse and Agness his wife William McCormack and Judith his wife Matthew Wright, Wright Wright, James Mayse & Patsy his wife, Joel Simmons and Bershaba his wife and Thomas Wright, James Mayse, John Turner and Matthew Wright guardians for Jane Meador, Jubal Meador Joseph Meador Judith Meador & John Meador of the one part and Peter Dent of the other was proved as to all the above mentioned men by the oath of Lawrence McGeorge and James Wright two subscribing witnesses and certified by two magistrates of Franklin County as to the said William McCormack and wife and as to them ordered to be recorded. And afterwards Viz: at a Court held for said County at the Courthouse the 27th day of August following the same was further proved by the oath of Tommy Wright another subscribing witness and ordered to be recorded.

Teste:
J. Steptoe C.B.C."

The 1816 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Mathew Wright with the following household on April 20:

Date Receiving lists from Individuals	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	No. of white males above 16 years old	No. of Slaves above 12 years	No of Horses	Stud Horses No.	Stud Horses $ Cents
Apl 20	Mathew Wright	1	2	3		

2 Wheel Riding Cariages & harness belonging thereto		Phaetons & Stage waggons & harness belonging thereto		Coaches & harness belonging thereto		
Not exceeding in Value $100	Exceeding in Value $100	Not exceeding in value $200	Exceeding value $200	Not Exceeding in Value $300	Exceeding in Value $300	Total Amount of Tax
						1.94

The 1816 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Mathew Wright with the following property:

Owners Names	Residence	Estate	No of Town Lots	Name of the Town
Mathew Wright	prem.	fee		
ditto		fee		
ditto		fee		

Yearly Rent of Lots	Amt of Tax on Lots	No of Acres of Land	Description of the Land
		200	Same adj George Stover &c
		100	On the same adj the same
		89	On the same adj the same

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Rate of Land p Acre	Total Value of Land	Amount of Taxes on Land & Lots	Total of Tax On Lots & Land	Explanation of the item during the preceding(?) year(?)
18W	1.19	238.00	1.79		
	1.82	182.00	1.37		
	1.22	108.50	.81		

On July 22, 1816, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 17/190 Matthew Wright proved his purchase of certain land that had been returned delinquent for taxes:

> "On the motion of Matthew Wright Exor of Joseph Wright decd. who exhibited satisfactory evidence of the said decedents having been prior to the 1st June 1812 a bona fide purchaser and had a deed to 200 acres of land part of 988 acres returnd. delinquent in the name of Anthony Pate for the year 1796 also 120 acres retd. in the name of Jonathan Basham for the year 1800 also 120 acres retd. in the name of Thomas Owens for the year 1789 also __ acres part of 790 acres in the name of Josiah Payne for the year 1785 took the oath prescribed by law Judgment is given in his favour exhonerating the said lands from all arrears of tax and damages due thereon anterior to the date of such purchase the attorney for the Com.Wealth being present"

On July 22, 1816, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 4/255 Lot No. 6 of the Division and Allotment of the estate of Joseph Wright was allocated to Matthew Wright:

> ". . . . Lot No 6. 160 acres in Bedford County Begining at a maple on the Creek South 45 West 38 poles to a red oak North 85 West 21 poles South 40 West 20 poles South 10 West 20 poles to a Red oak North 75 West 76 poles to a red oak North 42 West 41 poles to a white oak West 32 poles to a white oak north 75 West 42 poles to a Red oak north 6 poles to pointers north 78 West 32 poles to a white oak North 25 East 140 poles to a white oak in Mccomacks line, thence with it South 37 East 70 poles to a maple on a Branch thence Down the Same to the Creek thence Down the Creek off South 15 West 86 poles to a pine South 9 East 96 poles to a Post oak South 36 East 26 poles to a Branch thence Down the Same to the Creek thence Down the Same to the Begining . . . ."

On August 27, 1816, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 17/258 Matthew Wright was ordered to settle the account of James Depew, as guardian of the children of Absolom Baker:

"Ord. that John Pate Isaac James Mattw Right George West or any three do settle the account current of James Depew with the children of Absolom Baker Dec his wards report to Court"

The 1817 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Mathew Wright with the following household on April 1:

Date of Receiving lists from- Individuals	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	No. of white males above 16 years old	No of Slaves above 12 years old	No. of horses	Stud Horses No.	Stud Horses $ Cts
Apl 1	Mathew Wright	1	2	4		

2 wheeled Riding Cariages & harness belong thereto Not excee ing in Value $100	2 wheeled Riding Cariages & harness belong thereto Exceed- ing in Value $100	Phaetons & Stage waggons & harness belonging thereto Not ex- ceeding in Value$200	Phaetons & Stage waggons & harness belonging thereto Exceed- ing Value $200	Coaches & harness belonging thereto Not ex- ceeding in Value $300	Coaches & harness belonging thereto Exceed- ing in Value $300

Total Amount of Tax $ Cts	Proff
2.12	

The 1817 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Mathew Wright with the following property:

Owners Names	Residence	Estate	No of Town Lots	Name of the Town
Mathew Wright	prem	fee		
Ditto		fee		
Ditto		fee		
Ditto		fee		

Yearly Rent of Lots	Amount of Tax on Lots	No. Acres of Land	Description of the Land
		200	on the same adj George Stover
		100	the same adj the same
		89	the same adj the same
		169	on Stanton

Distance & bearings from the Court House	Rate of Land pr Acre	Total Amount of Land	Amount of Tax On Land@ $75 pr 100 Value	Total Amount Of Taxes On Lots & Land	Explanation of the item during the preceding year
18W	1.19	238.00	1.79		
	1.82	182.00	1.37		
	1.22	108.50	.81		
18W	1.40	224.00	1.67		

This record reflects the allotment of 160 acres to Matthew Wright in Bedford County W.B. 4/255.

The 1818 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following household on March 23:

Date of Receiving lists from Individuals	Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	No of White Males above 16 years old	No of Slaves above 12 years old	No. of Horses	No. of Stud Horses
March 23	Matthew Wright	1	2	4	

2 Wheeled riding Carriages & Harness belonging thereto		Phaetons & Stage Waggons & Harness belonging thereto		Coaches & harness belonging thereto		
Not exceeding in value $100	Exceeding in value $100	Not exceeding in value $200	exceeding value $200	Not exceeding in value $300	exceeding in value $300	Total amount of Taxes
						2.12

The 1818 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate	No of Town Lots	Name of Town
Matthew Wright	prem	fee		
Ditto		fee		
Ditto		fee		
Ditto		fee		

Yearly Rent of Lots	Amount of Tax on Lots	No. of Acres of Land	Description of Land
		200	same
		100	same
		89	On same
		160	on Staunton

Distance & bearings From the Court House	Rate of Land pr Acre	Total Amount of Land	Amount of Tax On Land at 75¢ per Value	Total Amount Of Taxes On Lots & Land
18W	1.19	238.00	1.78	
	1.82	182.00	1.37	
	1.22	108.50	.81	
21W	1.40	224.00	1.67	

In May 1818 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 17/485 Matthew Wright obtained approval for a claim against the Commonwealth for $168:

> "Ord. that George Horns claims agt the ComWealth for $294 - & Matthew Wrights James Mayse & Solomon Wright for $168 each be allowed & certified according to Law"

On July 30, 1818, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 15/439 Matthew Wright and John Wright purchased a lot of land in Hardysville from Robert and Mary Hardy:

"This Indenture made this 30th day of July in the year one thousand eight hundred & eighteen between Robert Hardy and Mary his wife of the County of Bedford and State of Virginia of the one part and Matthew Wright and John Wright of the County and State aforesaid of the other part - Witnesseth that the said Robert Hardy and Mary his Wife for and in Consideration of the Sum of Seventy three dollars Currency of the United States to them in hand paid by the Said Matthew & John Wright, the receipt Whereof is hereby acknowledged by the said Robt Hardy and Mary his Wife who hath granted bargained and Sold and by these presents doth grant bargain Sell and Confirm unto the Said Matthew and John Wright one half acre Lott of Ground in the town of Hardysville on Staunton River in Bedford County known in the plan and map of Said Town by Lott No 38 To have and to hold the aforesaid Lott of Ground in the town aforesaid with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging unto the Said Matthew and John Wright their heirs and assigns forever and the Said Robert Hardy and Mary his wife for themselves and their heirs doth Covenant and agree to forever Warrant & defend the aforesaid Lott of Ground With all the appurtenances thereunto the said Matthew Wright and John Wright their heirs and assigns forever against the Claims and demands of all persons Whatsoever Reserving however for the benefit of the inhabitans of Said Town forever hereafter the Priviledge of Getting Water for use out of any Spring on the aforesaid Lott In Witness Whereof the Said Robert Hardy and Mary his Wife hath hereunto Set their hands and Seals the day and year first above Written.

Robt Hardy
Mary Hardy

Bedford County to Wit We William Shrewsbury and Laurence McGeorge Magistrates of the Said County do hereby Certify that Robert Hardy and Mary his Wife parties to the within Conveyance have duly acknowledged the Same before us on the 15th Aug 1818 and desired us to Certify the Said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Bedford in Order that the Said Conveyance may be recorded as Witness our hands and Seals

William Shrewsbury
Laurence McGeorge

Bedford County to Wit

We William Shrewsbury and Laurence McGeorge Justices of the Peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby Certify that Mary hardy the Wife of Robert Hardy parties to a Certain deed for the Conveyance of Real Estate to Matthew Wright and John Wright bearing date on the 30th July 1818 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed

aforesaid fully explained to her She the Said Mary Hardy acknowledged the Same to be her act and deed and declared that She Had willingly Signed Sealed and delivered the Same and that She wished not to retract it Given under our hands and Seals 15th Augt 1818.

Wm Shrewsbury
Lawrence McGeorge

At a Court held for Bedford County at the Courthouse the 27th day of August 1818 This indenture of bargain and Sale between Robert Hardy and Mary his wife of the one part, and Matthew and John Wright of the Other was Certified by two magistrates and ordered to be recorded

Teste
J Steptoe CBC"

Matthew Wright was appointed co-executor with his brother- in-law James Mayse of the estate of his father 1815 Joseph Wright. As such, Matthew Wright was sued as executor on September 20, 1817, by Joseph Greer regarding the sale of the slave Peter and his subsequent death. That suit was recorded in File 316 of the Superior Court of Law and Chancery at Lynchburg and has been discussed above in connection with the estate of 1815 Joseph Wright. Matthew Wright was also sued on November 6, 1818, by his brother-in-law William McCormack regarding the amount due to William McCormack from the estate. That suit was recorded in File 812 of the Superior Court of Law and Chancery at Lynchburg and has been discussed in connection with 1815 Joseph Wright of Bedford County above.

In January 1819 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers the court ordered the viewing of a road from Matthew Wright's residence across the Blue Ridge and to the main road in Botetourt County:

"Bedford January Court 1819.

On the motion of William Settle It is ordered that William Miller Abraham Baker Jacob Foutz and James Adams or any three being sworn do view a way for a road from Matthew Wrights across the Blue ridge to where it will connect with the road that leads into the main road in Botetourt County & report to Court the

conveniences and inconveniences that will result as well to the public in general as to individuals by the establishment of the same

A Copy Teste
J Steptoe Cl

Bedford County to Wit

I do hereby Certify that William Miller, Abraham Baker, Jacob Foutz and James Adams were this this day sworn before me as viewers agreeable to the within order Given under my Hand the 16th Decr 1819

Lawrence W George"

The 1819 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following household on March 22:

Date of Receiving Lists from Individuals	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	No. of white Males above 16 years old	No of Slaves above 12 years old	No of Horses	Stud Horses No $ Cts
March 22	Matthew Wright	2	2	5	

2 Wheeled riding Carriages & harness belonging thereto		phaetons & stage Waggons & harness belonging thereto		Coaches & harness Belonging thereto		
Not Exceedg in value $100	Exceeding in value $100	not Exceedg in value $200	Exceedg in value $200	not exceeding in value $300	Exceeding in value $300	Total Amt of Taxes
						2.30

The 1819 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate	No. Of Town Lots	Name of Town
Matthew Wright	prem	fee		
Ditto		fee		
Ditto		fee		
Ditto		fee		

Yearly Rent of Lots	Amt of Tax on Lots	No. of Acres of Land	Description of Land
		200	same
		100	same
		89	same
		160	On Staunton

Distance & bearing From the Court House	Rate of Land P Acre	Total Amount of Lands	Amount of Tax On Land at 75¢ P 100$ Value	Total Amount Of Tax On Lots& Land
18W	1.19	238.00	1.78	
	1.82	182.00	1.37	
	1.22	108.50	.81	
21W	1.40	224.00	1.67	

The 1819 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, also listed Matthew & Jno Wright Bedf with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate	No of Town Lots	Name of Town
Matthew & Jno Wright	Bedf	fee	1	Hardy river

Yearly Rent of Lots	Amt of Tax on Lots	No. of Acres of Land	Description of Land
$1.50	.12		

Distance & bearing From the Court House	Rate of Land P Acre	Total Amount of Lands	Amount of Tax On Land at 75¢ P 100$ Value	Total Amount Of Tax On Lots& Land
				.12

This record reflects the purchase of a 1 acre lot in Hardysville by Bedford County D.B. 15/439.

On August 30, 1819, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 15/570 Robert and Mary Hardy quitclaimed certain rights to the land in Hardyville to Matthew Wright, John Wright, and Thomas Wright:

> "This Indenture made this 20th day of August in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighteen between Robert Hardy and Mary his Wife of the County of Bedford and State of Virginia of the one part and Thomas Bandy Randolph Abshire Joseph Cook Andrew Short John Gish Jacob Gish Matthew Pate John Pate John Ruddell Michael Ruddell Jacob Cook Henry Payne George Gish Junr John Beckner Jacob Beckner James B Scott Joseph Beckner Peter Moore David H. Gish John Fouts Daniel Spickard Mark Payne Thomas Wright Jacob Kefauver Joseph Duckwiller Samuel Bandy Isaac James Christian Gish Matthew and John Wright Peter Gast(?) Christian Curtis Edmund Pate George Sense Nathan Board Silas Taylor James Stuart Junr John Payne Isham Payne Edmund McGeorge Elias James Edmund G Hannan(?) Frederick Gast(?) Sally B Hardy Polly Hardy Jonithan Hardy Robert Hardy Junr Joseph Hardy & nancy Hardy purchasers and owners of Lots in the town of Hardysvill on Staunton River in the County aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth that whereas the said Robert Hardy in Laying off the town aforesaid Caused the streets to be laid out sixty feet wide the alleys thirty feet Wide & a Space or Common between the lawn and the river at Least Sixty feet Wide in the narrowest place and in many places Considerably upwards of sixty feet Wide which Streets alleys & Space or Common between the town and the river were laid out and given up to the paidchursers and owners of Lots in the town aforesaid for their Joint benefit & Convenience and whereas douts have arisen as to the sufficiency of the deeds executed by the Said Robert Hardy and Mary his Wife to the said Thomas Bandy Randolph Absher & others above named for the lots by them purchased Owing to the emersion of the Streets Allies & Space or common between the town and the river in said deeds Now this Indenture Witnesseth that the said Robert Hardy and Mary his Wife for and in Consideration of the respective sums Expressed in each of their deeds of Conveyance to the said Thomas Bandy Randolph Absher & other above named hath given granted and released and by these presents doth give grant & release unto the said Thomas Bandy Randolph Absher & others above named their heirs executors & administrators and assigns forever all right title Interest & Claims that they the said Robert Hardy and Mary his wife hath in and to the aforesaid Streets allies and Space or Common between the town and River aforesaid Excepting the rights and priviledges in the said Streets allies and Space between the Said Town & River in Common With all the owners of Lots in the town aforesaid and the said Robert Hardy and Mary his wife doth hereby declare themselves their heirs executors & administrators to be Completely divested of

all right Title Interest & Claim to the Streets allies and Space or Common between the town & River aforesaid further than the right in Common with other owners of Lots in the said Town and they do hereby Covenant and agree to forever warrant and defend the aforesaid Streets allies and Space or Common between the town & River aforesaid with all the priviledges & appurtinances thereunto belonging unto the said Thomas Bandy Randolph Absher and others above named their heirs Executors Administrators or assigns forever for the joint Benefit & Covenience of all Lott Owners in the town aforesaid against the just Claims & demands of all persons Whatsoever Reserving to themselves their heirs Executors administrators and assigns their rights & priviledges in the streets allies & Space or Common between the town & River aforesaid in Common with other owners of Lots in said town In Witness whereof the said Robt Hardy and Mary his Wife hath hereunto Set their hands & Seals the day and year above written.

Signd Seald and delivd) Robert Hardy
in presence of) Mary Hardy
Berry Corley

Bedford County to Wit

We William Shrewsbury & Lau: McGeorge magistrates of said County do hereby Certify that Robert Hardy and Mary his Wife Parties to the Within Conveyance have duly acknowledged the same before us on the 27th day of March in the year 1819 & desired us to Certify the said acknowledgment to the Clerk of the County Court of Bedford in order that the said Conveyance may be recorded as Witness our hands and Seals.

Wm Shrewsbury
Lau: McGeorge

Bedford County to Wit:

We William Shrewsbury & Lau: McGeorge Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby Certify that Mary Hardy wife of Robt. Hardy parties to a Certain deed for the Conveyance of real Estate to Thomas Bandy Randolph Absher Joseph Cook Andrew Short John Gish Jacob Gish Matthew Pate John Pate John Ruddell Michael Ruddell Jacob Cook Henry Payne George Gish Junr John Beckner Jacob Beckner James B Scott Joseph Becner Peter Moore David H Gish John Fouts Daniel Spickard Mark Payne Thomas Wright Jacob Kefauver Joseph Duckwiller Samuel Bandy Isaac James Christian Gish Matthew and John Wright Peter Gast(?) Christian Curtis Edmund Pate George Sense Nathan Board Silas Taylor James Stuart Jr John Payne Isham Payne Edmund McGeorge Elias James Edward G Hannon _____

bearing date the 20th day of August 1818 and hereto annexed Personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her She the said Mary Hardy acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that She willingly Signed Sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it Given under our hands & seals this 27th day of March 1819

William Shrewsbury
Lau: McGeorge

At a Court held for Bedford County at the Courthouse the 26th day of April 1819 This Indenture of bargain and Sale between Robert Hardy and Mary his Wife of the one part and Thomas Bandy & others of the other was Certified by two magistrates & ordered to be recorded.

Teste
Jn Steptoe CBC"

On December 16, 1819, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers the viewers of a road reported to court on the route of a road from Matthew Wright's to Botetourt County:

"In Obedience to an Order of Bedford January Court 1819 we have viewed the proposed road and report as followeth to Wit Beginning at the Corner of Mathew Wrights fence on Pates road Thence along the road as it now runs through Mathew Wrights land thence through James Adamss land as it now runs except at his new ground which is to be left to the right hand Thence through Thomas Pearsons land as the road runs Thence Through the land of Heirs of Solomon James into Boreauger road and along Boreager road to the hill above where Samuel West lives Thence though George Wests lands to the lands of Isaac James and through his land as the old road runs to land George West and through his land as the present road runs, thence Through John Pates and William Millars lands as the present road runs Thence through the land of Jacob Foutz neraly as the present road runs, Thence Through the lands of William Durrit, Heirs of Absolam Baker and John Lamont to the Botetourt line where the road goes into the main Botetort road - This road will be of extensive public Benifit and will damage no person that we know of Given under our hands this 16th Decr. 1819

Wm Miller
James Adams
Abraham Baker
Jacob Foutza

16th Decr. 1819

We who's land the within veiw runs through do say that we ask no damages and hope the Court will establish the road

George West
Abraham Baker Gaurdian for the)
Heirs of Absolam Baker)
Wm Miller
James Adams
Jacob Foutz
Wm Durrett
Matthew Wright
Isaac James
John Pate
Thos Pearson"

In February 1820 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 17/742 Matthew Wright was appointed commissioner to divide the lands of Caniel Cawley:

"Ordered that Lawrence McGeorge Tommy Wright Matthew Wright & William McGeorge or any three be appointed Comrs to divide the Lands of Caniel Cawley Dec. between his children & Sally Finley agreeable to his will, & also that the Executors of sd Cawley do sell the personal Estate including one slave the property of the said Decd on a credit of 12 months, taking bond & security to themselves & report to Court."

The 1820 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following household:

Date of Receiving list	Persons names chargable with the Tax	No. of white male ties above 16 years old	No of Slaves above 12 years old	No of Horses	Stud Horses No $ Cts
	Matthew Wright	2	2	3	

2 wheeled riding carriages & harness belonging thereto		Phaetons & Stage Waggons & harness belonging thereto		Coaches and harness belonging thereto		
Not exceeding in value $100	Exceeding in Value $100	Not exceeding in Value $200	Exceeding in value $200	Not exceeding in Value $300	Exceeding in Value $300	Total amt of Taxes
						1.94

Proof

The 1820 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No. of Acres of Land	Description of the Land
Matthew Wright	Franklin	389	On ditto [Beaver Dam] Ajd G. Stover
Ditto	Franklin	160	On the Waters of the same

Sum Distance and bearings from the Court house	added to the Land on Value of Land per Acre	account of the Building	Total Value	Amount of Tax ___ for every $100 Value	Remarks
18SW	6.28	150	2442.98	3.06	
17SW	2.50	150	400.00	.50	

This record reflects a consolidation of his three parcels of 100, 200, and 89 acres into a single tax parcel of 389 acres.

The 1820 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, also listed Matthew Jno Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No. of Lotts	No. of Lotts in plan of Town
Matthew Jno Wright	Bedford	1	

Value of Lotts	Sum added to the Lotts on account of Buildings	Names of Town	Tax on Lotts
		pr view	.06

In May 1820 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 17/793 Matthew Wright was ordered to view the way for a road:

> "On the petition of John Pate It is ordered that Tomy Wright Matthew Wright Wm. Dollard & John Wright or any three do view a way proposed for a road from Pates road below George Howes by sd pates Saw mill with the road at Thos Lancasters which leads from Hunts mill into pates road above George Medleys & report to Court"

The 1820 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed one Matthew Wright with the following members of his household:

Names of Heads of Families	Free White Males	Age	Free White Females	Age
Matthew Wright	1	26-45	1	26-45
	1	16-26	1	16-26
	2	10-16	1	10-16
	1	0-10	5	0-10

Foreigners	Number in Agriculture	Number in Commerce	Number in Manufacture
	4		

Slaves Male	Age	Slaves Female	Age	Free Colored Males	Age	Free Colored Females	Age
1	14-26	1	26-45				
3	0-14	1	0-14				

All Other Persons

This record indicates that Matthew Wright and his wife were born between 1775 and 1794.

In March 1821 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 18/74 Matthew Wright was ordered to settle the account of the estate of Caniel Cawley:

> "Ord. that Tommy Wright Matthew Wright Lawrce McGeorge & William McGeorge or any three do state & Settle the a/c current of the Estate of Caniel Cawley Dec with John Pate & Robert Hardy the Exors of sd Decd - and that they also allot to Sally Findley such portion of the sd Decs Estate as under the law she may be entitled to & report to Court."

On April 21, 1821, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 9/344 Matthew Wright purchased 270 acres of land from James Mays and Patcy Mays:

> "This Indenture made this 21st day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty one, between James Mays and Patcy his wife of Bedford County and State of Virginia of the one part, and Matthew Wright of siad County of the other part. Witnesseth that the said James Mays and Patsy his wife for and in consideration of the sum of one Thousand Dollars current money of Virginia to them in hand paid, the receipt whereoff is hereby acknowledged, hath given granted bargained and sold, and by these preasants doth give grant, bargain and sell & deliver unto the said Matthew Wright his heirs and assigns, one certain tract or parcel of Land, lying and being in the County of Franklin, on Lynvilles Creek containing Two hundred and seventy acres be the same less or more and bounded as follows to wit Begining at Talberts corner White Oak off North 35 West 186 poles to a White Oak in an old line, thence along said line North 33º E 240 poles to Hills line, thence on said line South 56 East 234 poles to Talberts Corner Red Oak, thence on said line South 69 West 198 poles to his corner pointers, thence South 12 West 156 poles to the Begining, To have and to hold the said granted Land and premises, with every part and parcel thereunto belonging unto the said Matthew Wright his heirs and assigns forever, and we

the said James and Patsy Mays will warrant and forever defend the title of said Land from them their heirs or assigns, and from all other and every person or persons claim or claims)who or whatsoever) unto the said Matthew Wright his heirs Executors administrators or assigns forever, In Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals the day and date above written

James Mays
Patsey Mays

Bedford County to wit

We Lewis Wingfield & Lawrence McGeorge magestrates of the County aforesaid do hereby certify that James Mays a party to the within conveyance hath duly acknowledged the same before us Lewis Wingfield and Law McGeorge and desiered us to certify the same acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Franklin in order that the said Conveyance may be recorded as Witness our hands, and seals this 21st April 1821.

Lewis Wingfield
Law McGeorge

Bedford County to wit

We Lewis Wingfield and Law McGeorge Justices for the County affoursaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Patsy Mays the wife of James Mays parties to a certain Deed for the conveyance of real estate to Matthew Wright bearing date the 21st day of April 1821 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County afoursaid and being examined by us privately and apart from her husband having the Deed aforesaid fully explained to her she sd Patsy Mays acknowledged the same to be her act and Deed and declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and that she wishes not to retract it Given from under our hands and seals this 21" day of April 1821.

Lewis Wingfield
Law McGeorge"

The 1821 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Mathew Wright with the following household on April 21:

Date of Receiving lists from individuals	Persons names chargable with tax	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses, Mares, Colts & Mules	Stud Horses No $ Cts
April 21	Mathew Wright	2	3	

Two wheeled riding Carriages & harness		Phaetons and stage Waggons & Harness		Riding Carriages and harness		
Not exceeding in value $100	Above the value $100	Not exceeding in Value $200	Above the value of $200	Not exceeding in Value $300	Above the value of $300	Amount of tax
						1.48

The 1821 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple or for Life	N. Acres
Matthew Wright	Bedford	fee	389
Ditto	"	"	160

Description of Land	Distance & bearing from the Court house	Value of land P acre including Buildings	Sum added to the Land on Acct Building
On do Adj George Stover	18SW	6.28	150
On the Waters of Same	17SW	2.50	"

Total Value of Land and Buildings	Amount of Tax at the Rate of ___ $100 Value	Explanation of alterations during the Preceding Year
2442.92	2.20	
400.00	.36	

The 1821 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, also listed Matthew & John Wright with the following property:

Name of Owners	Residence	Estate whether in fee simple or for Life	Number of town lotts	Names of Towns
Matthew & John Wright	Bedford	fee	1	Hardy's Ville

Value of Buildings	Value of lots including Buildings	Yearly rent of lots	Amount of town lots	Explanation of alterations during preceeding year
			.06	

In November 1821 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 18/175 Matthew Wright was ordered to provide hands to open a new road:

> "Ordered that Anthony Wright be appointed Surveyed of the new road lately opened from Pates Road below George Horns by Pates Saw Mill into Hunts Road at Thomas Lancasters & that Wilkin J Hunt, Tommy Wright Matthew Wright & Thomas Melson do allot the hands to work under said Surveyor"

On February 9, 1822, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 10/134 Matthew Wright purchased two parcels of land of 268 acres and 53 acres from Joel and Barshaba Simmons:

> "This Indenture made and entered into this 9th day of February in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty two, between Joel Simmons & Barshaba his wife of the County of Smith & State of Tennissee of the one part, and Matthew Wright of the County of Bedford & State of Virginia of the other part, Witnesseth that for & in consideration of the sum of six hundred dollars to them in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath given,

granted, bargained sold and confirmed, and by these presents, doth give, grant, bargain sell and confirm unto Matthew Wright his heirs & assigns forever two certain tracts or parcels of land situate & lying in the County of Franklin and bounded as follows. Viz (the first) Begining at a red oak stump on the south bank of Staunton River thence (off) and along Teney Wrights line S 53º E 66 poles to a hickory, S 15º E 60 poles to a pine, N 44 W 128 poles to a white oak, on the River aforesaid, thence up the River as it meanders to Jisda McCormacks corner (off) thence along her line S 44º E 128 poles to a hickory S 24º W 80 poles to a pine, S 25º E 68 poles to a white oak, E 42 poles to a branch, thence down the same as it meanders 24 poles to a branch, thence (off) S 46º E 56 poles to a branch, thence down the same as it meanders to the River aforesaid, thence up the River as it meanders to the first station containing two hundred and sixty eight acres. The other tract bounded as follows Viz Begining at a Chesnut, thence N. 20º E 101 poles to a chesnut, S 50º W 18 poles to a Chesnut oak, N 76º W 50 poles to a black oak, S 20º W 16 poles to a post oak, S 24º W 40 poles to a post oak, S 47º E 90 poles to a black oak, N 70º E 64 poles to the first station, containing by survey fifty three acres To have and to hold the aforesaid two tracts or parcels of Land together with all the priviledges and apurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining unto him the said Matthew Wright his heirs and assigns forever. The said Joel Simmons and his wife Barshaba, doth covenant for themselves their heirs &c that they will forever warrant and defend the right and title of the aforesaid two tracts or parcels of land unto him the said Matthew Wright his heirs and assigns forever, against the claim or demand of all persons or manner of persons whatever. In Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals, the day and date first above written.

Signed and acknowl-edgd in presence of
Thos G Walton
Edward Glover

Joel Simmons
Barshaba her X mark Simmons

State of Tennissee)
Smith County Court) February Term 1822

Then the execution of the within Deed of conveyance was duly provin in open Court, by the oaths of Thomas G Walton and Edward Glover Witnesses thereto, and ordered to be certified, and I hereby Certify the same.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the sine of said Court at Office this 17" day of March 1822 and 46" Year of our Independence.

Jonathan Pickell Clerk
of Smith County Court

Virginia, At a Court held for Franklin County at the Court house the 2nd day of September 1822.

This Indenture of bargain and sale between Joel Simmons and Barshaba his wife of the one part and Matthew Wright of the other part, was exhibited into Court and together with the certificate hereon endorsed, ordered to be recorded.

Teste,
Caleb Tate C.F.C."

On February 22, 1822, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 10/23 Matthew Wright acted as trustee on a deed of trust to service a debt due to his son Peter Meador Wright:

"This Indenture made this 28" day of February 1822, Between Samuel Flowers of the County of Franklin & State of Virginia of the one part, and Matthew Wright of the County of Bedford & State aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth, that the said Samuel Flowers in order to secure the payment of One hundred & fifteen dollars, which he owes to Peter M Wright, and for and in consideration of the sum of one dollar, to him in hand paid by the said Matthew Wright at or before the ensealing & delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged by the said Samuel Flowers, who hath granted bargaind & sold, and by these presents doth grant, bargain, sell, deliver & confirm unto the said Matthew Wright, the following property Viz, one bay mare, six head of cattle, two feather beds & furniture, ten head of hoggs, a parcel of corn in the crib supposed to be ten barrels, one pott, one oven, six pewter plates & one dish, one shovel plow, one pair of chain traces, & harnes, four hilling hoes, one mattock, two pole axes, one cotton wheel, & one flax wheel, To have and to hold, all the above mentioned property unto the said Matthew Wright his heirs, executors, administrators & assigns forever, and the said Samuel Flowers for himself, and his heirs doth covenant & agree to forever warrant & defend the right & title of all the aforesaid property unto the said Matthew Wright, his heirs & assigns, against the claims & demands of all persons whatsoever. Upon trust nevertheless that the said Matthew Wright shall as soon as conveniently he can after having advertised the time & place of the sale, of the aforesaid property at the door of the Courthouse of Franklin County on some Court day, and at the most publick place in the neighbourhood of the said Samuel Flowers at least ten days previous to the sale, proceed to sell the same to the highest bidder for ready money for the best price that can be obtained, and out of the money arising from such sale, in the first place satisfy & pay all reasonable chargs of such sale, together with the expence of drawing & recording this present Indenture, and then the aforesaid debt, due to the said Peter M. Wright, and the residue of the money arising from such sale, if any, to the use of the said Samuel Flowers his heirs or assigns, or to such person or persons as he by writing under his hand

hand shall appoint, and in default of such appointment to such person or persons as would be thereunto intitled by the Statute for the distribution of intestates estates, and it is further covenanted and agreed between the parties, that if the said Samuel Flowers, his heirs, executors, or admrs shall well and truly pay unto the said Peter M Wright his heirs, executors, admrs or assigns the aforesaid sum of one hundred & fifteen dollars, and all reasonable charges & expences, that may be incurd in carrying this trust into full & complete effect on or before the first day of January next ensuing, then this trust shall cease & be of no effect otherwise to remain in full force & virtue.

Signd, sealed & acknowledged in presence of John Pate as to M. Wright

Saml his X mark Flowers

Matthew Wright

At the Clerks Office of Franklin County the 4" day of March 1822

This Deed of Trust from Samuel Flowers to Matthew Wright to secure the payment of a debt due Peter M. Wright, was acknowledged by the said Samuel Flowers and admited to Record.

Teste,
Caleb Tate, C.F.C."

The 1822 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Mathew Wright with the following household on April 11:

Date of Receiving Lists from Individuals	Persons names Chargable with Tax	Slaves above the age of 12 years	Horses, mares, Colts & mules	Stud Horses No $ Cts
April 11	Mathew Wright	1	4	

two wheeled Riding Carriages & Harness		pheatons and stage waggons & Harness		Riding carriages and Harness		
Not Exceeding in Value $100	Above the Value of $100	Not Exceeding in Value $200	Above the value Of $200	Not Exceeding in Value $300	Above the Value of $300	Amount of tax
						1.09

The 1822 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	___	Description of Land
Matthew Wright	Bedford	389	On do Adj G Stover
Ditto	"	160	On the same

Derscription & bearing from the Courthouse	Value of Land	Sum added to the Land on acct of the Build-ings thereon	Total Value of Land	Amount of Tax on Land@ 9 cts p every $100 Value	Remarks
18SW	6.28	150	2442.92	2.20	
17SW	2.50		400.00	.36	

The 1822 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, also listed Matthew & Jno Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No. of lots	No. of Lots in plan of Town	Value of of lott
Matthew & Jno Wright	Bedford	1		

Sum added to the lots on acct of the buildings thereon	Name yearly Rent of town lots
	H Ville .06

The 1822 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Mathew Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate	Number of Acres of Land	Description of the Land
Mathew Wright	Bedford	in fee	270	Linville

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land per acre Including the Bildings	Sum added to the Land on act of the Bildings	Total Vallue of the Land & Bilding	Amt of Tax	Explanation of alterations during the Preceding Year
20 Miles NE	1.25	300.00	337.50	.31	per J Mayse

This record reflects the purchase of 270 acres of land by Franklin County Deed 9/344.

The 1823 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Mathew Wright with the following household on April 28:

Date of Receiving List	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	Slaves above 12 years of Age	Horses mares colts & Mules	Stud Horses &c	prices p Season $
April 28	Matthew Wright	1	3		

Riding Carriages	prices &c $	Amot of Tax $ Cts
		.83

The 1823 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence		Description of Land
Matthew Wright	Bedford	389	On beaver dam
Ditto	"	160	On the same

Distance & bearing from the Courthouse	Value of Land Per Acre	Sum added to the Land on a/c of the Buildings thereon	Total Value of Land	Amount of Tax on Land at 8 Cents for every $100 Value	Remarks
18SW	6.28	150	2442.92	1.96	
17SW	2.50		400.00	.32	

The 1823 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, also listed Matthew & Jno Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate	No. of Town Lots	Name of Town
Matthew & Jno Wright	Bedford	fee	1	

Value of lots including the buildings	Yearly Rent	
		.06

The 1823 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Owners Names	Residence	Estate whether held for life or in fee	No. of Acres of Land	Description of Land
Matthew Wright	Bedford	in fee	270	Linville
Ditto	"	"	268	Staunton
Ditto	"	"	53	Joining

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land per acre Including Buildings	Sum added to the Land on act of Buildings	Total Vallue of the Land & Buildings	Amount of tax on the value of	Explanation of alterations during the preceding Year
20 Miles NE	1.25	300.00	337.50	.27	
20 " "	2.50		670.00	.54	fm Joel Simmons
" " "	2.50		132.50	.11	Barsha Simmons Land from the same

This record reflects the purchase of the two parcels of 268 acres and 53 acres of land by Franklin County Deed 10/134.

In May 1823 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 18/354 the court ordered the transfer of Matthew Wright's road repair responsibility from Pates Mill Road to Pates Road from Beaverdam Creek to Weaver Creek:

> "Ord that John Wright & his hands be taken from Pates Mill road & be attached to Pates rd from Chambliss Store to Beaver Dam & that Matthew Wright & his hands be taken from Pates Mill road & be attached to Pates road from Beaverdam to Weaver Creek"

The 1824 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following household on May 13:

____	Names of persons Owning property	Blacks over 12	Horses mares &c	Riding Carriages & Stud Horses	Amt of Tax
May 13	Matthew Wright	2	3		1.30

The 1824 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No. of Acres	Description of Land
Matthew Wright	Bedford	389	on B dam adj G Stover
Do	"	160	on the same

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land pr Acre	Sum added to the Land on a/c of the buildings thereon	Total Value of Land	Amt of Tax on Land at 8 Cents for every $100 Valuation
18SW	6.28	150	2442.92	1.96
17SW	2.50		400.00	.32

The 1824 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, also listed Matthew & Jno Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate	___	___
Matthew & Jno	Bedford	fee	1	

Value of lots including the Buildings	Yearly Rent	Tax
		.06

The 1824 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate Whether held for life or in fee	No of Acres of Land	Description of the Land
Matthew Wright	Bedford	in fee	270	Lynville
Ditto	"	"	268	Staunton
Ditto	"	"	53	"

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Vallue of Land per acre Including Building	Sum added to the Land on account of Building	Total Value of Land & Buildings	Amount of tax at the Rate of pr	Explana-tion of alterations during the Preceding Year
20 NE	1.25	300.00	337.50	.27	
20 "	2.50		670.00	.54	
20 "	2.50		132.50	.11	

On December 27, 1824, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 19/242 Matthew Wright was excused from his fine for not appearing as a grand juror:

"Abraham King John Wright Matthew Wright & William Haynes who were fined nisi a Grand Jurors appeared & offered their excuse, whereupon It is ordered that they Severally be excused"

On February 26, 1825, at Botetourt County, Virginia, D.B. 16/476 Matthew Wright and James Wright purchased two lots in Salem, Virginia, from Joel Mayse and Polly Mayse:

"This Indenture made this 26th day of Febuary in the year of our Lord One thousand Eight hundred & twenty five Between Joel Wright of the County of Bedford & Polly Mayse Wife of Ballenger Mayse of the County of Botetourt of the one part & James Wright & Mathew Wright of Bedford County of the other part Witnesseth that Whereas Ballenger Mayse of the County of Botetourt did on the 14th day of june 1824 convey in trust to the said Joel Wright then of the said County of Botetourt two Lotts & Houses in the Town of Salem in the County of Botetourt by deed duly proved & recorded in the Clerks office of the Court of the Court of the Said County of Botetourt which said Deed was not signed by the said Polly Mayse the wife of the said Ballenger Mayse nor did she relinquish her dower in the two Lots aforesaid the first of which was the house & Lott then Occupyd by Branson Dunington and numbered in the plan of said Town 68 the Second was the brick house & Lott last in the occupancy of Powell Huff & Numbered in the plann of said town 69 and Each of said Lotts is Said to Contain one quarter of an acre & adjoining Each other & the said Joel Wright having agreeably to the provisions of the aforesaid Trust Deed advertised & Sold the aforesaid two Lotts and houses to the highest bidder & the said James Wright & Mathew Wright being the highest bidders the aforesaid two Lotts & houses were cryed out to them at the price of $300 Viz to James Wright three fifths of the aforesaid two Lotts & houses & Mathew Wright the two remaining fifths of the same Now this Indenture Witnesseth that the said Joel Wright & Polly Mayse Wife of said Ballenger Mayse for and in consideration of the aforesaid sum of $300 to them in hand paid Viz 180 Dollars by James Wright and $120 by Mathew Wright the receipt Whereof is hereby acknowledged by the said Joel Wright & Polly Mayse Wife of Ballenger Mayse hath granted bargained & Sold & by these presents doth grant bargain Sell deliver & Confirm unto the Said James Wright three fifths of the aforesaid two houses & Lotts in the aforesaid Town of Salem and to the Said Mathew Wright the remaining two fifths of the Aforesaid two Lots & houses in the Town aforesaid Each Lott Containing one quarter of an acre of Ground & Numbered in the Plan of Said Town 68 & 69 adjoining Each other To have & to hold unto the Said James Wright his heirs & assigns forever three fifths of the aforesaid two Lots & houses With all the appurtenances to the Same belonging, & to the Said Mathew Wright his heirs & assigns forever two fifths of the aforesaid two Lots & Houses With all the appurtenances to the same belonging & the Said Joel Wright & Polly Mayse Wife of Ballenger Mayse for themselves & their heirs doth covenant & agree to forever Warrant & Defend all

the right Title & Interest & claim which they or Either of them have in & to the aforesaid two Lotts & houses in the Town aforesaid unto the said James Wright & Mathew Wright their heirs & assigns forever in proportion as above mentioned against the claims & Demands of them the said Joel Wright & Polly Mayse and Persons claiming under or through them & from other In Witness Whereof the said Joel Wright & Polly all Mayse hath hereunto set their hands & Seals the day & year first herein before Written

Signed Sealed & Delivered in the presence of

Joel Wright
her
Polly X mark Mayse

Botetourt County to wit;

We John Pate & George Bright justices of the Peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby Certify that Polly Mayse the Wife of Ballenger Mayse party to a certain Deed bearing date on the 26th day of Febuary one thousand Eight hundred & twenty five and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being Examined by us privily and apart from her husband & having the Deed aforesaid fully Expalined to her She the Said Polly Mayse acknowledged the Same to be her act and deed and declared that She had Willingly Signed Sealed & Delivered the Same and that She wished not to retract it Given under our hands & seals this 27th day of August 1825

John Pate
George Bright

Botetourt County Court Clerks Office 10th October 1825 This deed together with the Certificates &c thereon Written was this day Exhibited in said office & admitted to record

teste
H W Bowyer D.C

Botetourt County to wit

We William McDermed & George Bright justices of the Peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby Certify that Joel Wright parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 26th day of Febuary one thousand Eight hundred & twenty five and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid & acknowledged the same to be his act & Deed & Desired us to Certify the said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court aforesaid

in order that the Said Deed may be recorded Given under our hands & Seals this 21st day of Septr 1825

Wm McDermed
George Bright"

The 1825 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Mathew Wright with the following household on April 16:

____	Names of Persons Owning Property	Blacks over 12 years	Horses &c	Riding Carriages	$
April 16	Mathew Wright	2	5		

Stud Horses	$	Amot of Tax $
		1.54

The 1825 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	Description of Land
Matthew Wright	Bedford	389	On B D adj G Stover
Do	"	160	On the same

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of Land per Acre	Sum added to the Land on a/c of the buildings thereon	Total value of Land	List of Tax on Land at 8 cts for every $100 Valuation	Remarks
18SW	6.28	150	2442.92	1.96	
17 "	2.50		400.00	.32	

The 1825 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew & Jno Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate	___	____
Matthew & John Wright	Bedford	fee	1	

Value of lots including the Buildings	Yearly Rent	Tax
		.06

The 1825 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate Whether held for life or in fee	Number of Acres of Land	Descrip-tion of the Land
Matthew Wright	Bedford	in fee	270	Lynville
Ditto	"	"	268	Staunton
Ditto	"	"	53	"

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Vallue of Land per acre Including Building	Sum added to the Land on account of Building	Total Vallue of Land & Buildings	Amount of tax at the Rate of pr	Explana-tion of alterations during the Preceding Year
20 NE	1.25	300.00	337.50	.27	
20 "	2.50		670.00	.54	
20 "	2.50		132.50	.11	

In June 1825 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Matthew Wright filed his answer to the complaint of Peter Dent for delivery of land due him from the estate of Joseph Wright:

> "The separate answer of Mathew Wright to a bill of complaint Exhibited against him and others in the County Court of Bedford by Peter Dent

This Respondent confesses the matters in the plaintiffs bill alledged and is willing that the same should be decreed accordingly and having fully answered prays to be hence dismissed he having conveyed his Interest to the plaintiff before the institution of this suit

Bedford June Court 1825
Sworn to in Court

J C Steptoe DC"

On November 12, 1825, at Botetourt County, Virginia, D.B. 16/431 Matthew Wright sold his interest in the two lots in Salem, Virginia, to James Wright:

"This Indenture made and Entered into this 12th day of November in the year of Our Lord 1825 Between Mathew Wright and his Wife Nancy of the County of Bedford and State of Virginia of the one part & James Wright of the County and State aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth that for and in consideration of the Sum of $194 & 39 cents to him in hand paid the rest whereof is hereby acknowledged hath bargained Sold and Confirmed & by these presents doth grant bargain Sell and Confirm unto him the said James Wright his heirs and assigns forever all their Interest in & to two Lots in the town of Salem in the County of Botetourt Said to contain one quarter of an acre each and numbered in the plan of Said town 68 & 69 two fifths of which being all the Interest the aforesaid Mathew Wright claims in said Lotts the other three fifths being already held by the Said James Wright as his own Property To have and to hold the aforesaid two fifths in the aforesaid two Lots the sd Mathew Wright & his wife Nancy doth covenant for themselves that they will forever guarantee unto him the said James Wright his heirs & assigns all their right title & Interest in and to the aforesaid two Lots or such right as is Vested in them against all persons claiming under them & none other unto him the Said James Wright his heirs & Assigns forever as Witness our hands & seals the day and date first above written

Mathew Wright
Nancy Wright

Bedford County to Wit,

We William Shrewsbury and Mathew Pate Magistrates of the Said County do hereby Certify that Mathew Wright parties to the within conveyance have duly Acknowledged the same before us on the 12th day of November in the year 1825 & Desired us to Certify the Said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the

County Court of Botetourt in order that the said conveyance may be may be recorded recorded as Witness our hands & Seals

Wm Shrewsbury
Mathew Pate

Bedford County to wit

We William Shrewsbury & Mathew Pate justices of the Peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby Certify that Nancy Wright Wife of Mathew Wright parties to a certain deed for the conveyance of real Estate to James Wright bearing date the 12th day of November 1825 & hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid & being Examined by us privily and apart from her husband & having the de3ed aforesaid fully Explained to her she the said Nancy Wright acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly Signed Sealed and delivered the Same & that She wished not to retract it Given under our hands & Seals this 12th day of November 1825

Wm Shrewsbury
Mathew Pate

Botetourt County Court Clerks office 13th november 1825

This Deed together with the Certificates &c thereon written was this day Exhibited in Said Office and admitted to record

teste
H W Bowyer D.C"

On December 2, 1825, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 20/168 Matthew Wright was ordered to view the way for a new road to Staunton River:

"On the mo. of Elias James. It is ordered that Matthew Pate Robert Hardy Jun James Siner Matthew Wright & Isaac James or any three do view a way for a road from Pates road at John Bushes to Greenwoods ford on Staunton river & report to Court"

On December 31, 1825, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 11/332 Matthew Wright and Nancy his wife sold the two tracts of land of 268 acres and 53 acres in Franklin County to their son Peter Meador Wright:

"This Indenture made and entered into this 31st day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty five between Matthew Wright

and Nancy his wife of the County of Bedford and State of Virginia of the one part and Peter M Wright of the County and State aforesaid of the other part witnesseth that for and in consideration of the Sum of Six hundred Dollars, to them in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath given granted bargained sold and confirmed and by these presents doth give grant bargain sell & confirm unto Peter M Wright his heirs and assigns forever two certain tracts or parcels of Land situate and lying in the County of Franklin and bounded as follows Viz (the first) Begining at a red oak stump on the south bank of Staunton river thence (off) and along John Board line S 53 E 66 poles to a Hickory S 15 E 60 poles to a pine N 44 W 128 poles to a white on the river aforesaid thence up the river as it meanders to William Drake corner (off) thence along his line S 44 E 128 poles to a hickory S 24 W 80 poles to a pine S 25 E 68 poles to a white oak E 42 poles to a branch thence down the same as it meanders 94 poles to a beach thence (off) S 46 E 56 poles to a branch thence down the same as it meanders to the river aforesaid thence up the river as it meanders to the first station Containing two hundred and Sixty eight acres. The other tract bounded as follows Viz Begining at a Chesnut thence N 20 E 100 poles to a chesnut S 50 W 18 poles to a chesnut oak N 76 W 50 poles to a black oak S 20 W 16 poles to a frost oak S 24 W 40 poles to a post oak S 47 E 90 poles to a black oak N 70 E 64 poles to the first station containing by Survey fifty three acres. To have & to hold the aforesaid two tracts or parcels of Land together with all the priviledges and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining unto him the said Peter M Wright his heirs and assigns forever the said Matthew Wright and his wife Nancy doth covenant for themselves their heirs &c that they will forever warrant and defend the right and title of the aforesaid two tracts or parcels of Land unto him the said Peter M Wright his heirs and assigns forever against the claims or demands of all persons or manner of persons whatever. In Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and Seals the day & date first above written

Matthew Wright
Nancy Wright

Bedford County to witt

We William Shrewsbury & Matthew Pate magistrates of said County do hereby certify that Matthew Wright & his wife parties to the within conveyance have duly acknowledged the same before us on the 9" day of January in the year 1826 & desired us to certify the said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Franklin in order that the said conveyance may be Recorded as witness our hands & Seals &c

Wm Shrewsbury
Matthew Pate

Bedford County towitt

We William Shrewsbury & Matthew Pate Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Nancy Wright wife of Matthew Wright parties to a certain Deed for the conveyance of real estate to Peter M Wright bearing date the 31st day of December 1825 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid & being examined by us privily and apart from her Husband & having the Deed aforesaid fully explained to her she the Said Nancy Wright acknowledged the same to be her act and Deed, and declared that she willingly signed Seald & delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and Seals this 9" day January 1826

Wm Shrewsbury
Matthew Pate

At a Court held for Franklin County at the Courthouse 6" June 1826

This Indenture of bargain and sale between Matthew Wright and Nancy his wife of the one part and Peter M Wright of the other part was exhibited into Court and together with the certificates hereon endorsed ordered to be recorded

Teste
Caleb Tate cfc"

On January 31, 1826, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 20/191 Matthew Wright was ordered to settle the account of Isaac James, as guardian for the heirs of Johnson James:

"Ord. that John Pate Wilkins J. Hunt Matthew Pate Tommy Wright & Matthew Wright or any three, do settle the account Current of the Estate of the heirs of Johnson James Dec with Isaac James their guardian & report to Court"

The 1826 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Mathew Wright with the following household on April 24:

Date of Receiving List	Names of Persons Owning Property	White Tythes	Blacks Over 12	Horses &c	Stud Horses Carriages &c
April 24	Mathew Wright	2	3	5	

Amot of Tax $ Cts
2.01

The 1826 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Acres	Description of Land
Matthew Wright	Bedford	389	On beaver dam Cr
Do	"	160	" " "

Distance and Lying from the C. House	Value of Land pr Acre	Sum added to the Land for buildings thereon	Total Value of Land	List of Tax on Land at 8 cts for every $100 Valuation	Remarks
18SW	6.28	150	2442.92	1.96	
17 "	2.50		400.00	.32	

The 1826 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, also listed Matthew & Jno Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate	___	____
Matthew & Jon Wright	Bedford	fee	1	

Value of lots including Buildings	Yearly Rentes	Tax	Remarks
		.06	

The 1826 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate Whether held for life or in fee	Number of Acres of Land	Description of the Land
Matthew Wright	Bedford	fee	270	Lynville
Ditto	"	"	268	Staunton
Ditto	"	"	53	

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Vallue of Land per acre Including Building	Sum added to the Land on account of Building	Total Value of Land & Buildings	Amount of Tax	

The 1827 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Mathew Wright with the following household on April 6:

Date of Receiving Lists	Persons names chargeable with Tax	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mares colts & mules	Stud Horses	$
April 6	Mathew Wright	3	6		

Riding Carriages	Value of Carriages $	Amt of Tax $
		2.13

The 1827 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	Description of Land
Matthew Wright	Bedford	389	On B D Adj G. Stover
Do	"	160	On the Same

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land pr Acre	Sum added to Land on a/c of Buildings Thereon	Total Value of Land	List of Tax on Land at 8 cts for every $100 Valuation	Remarks
18SW	6.28	150	2442.92	1.96	
17 "	2.50		400.00	.32	

The 1827 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, also listed Matthew & John Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate	___	____
Matthew & John Wright	Bedford	fee	1	

Value of lots Including Buildings	Yearly Rent	Tax	____
		.06	

The 1827 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate Whether held for life or in fee	Number of Acres of Land	Description of the Land
Matthew Wright	Bedford	in fee	270	Linvill

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Vallue of Land per acre Including Building	Sum added to the Land on account of Building	Total Vallue of Land & Buildings	Amount of Tax	____
20 NE	1.25		337.50	.27	

This record reflects the sale of the two parcels of 268 acres and 53 acres of land by Franklin County Deed 11/332.

On December 29, 1827, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers William B. Vaughan and Simon Miller executed their promissory note for $50 payable to Matthew Wright:

> "On demand We or either of us promise to pay to Mathew Wright the just and full sum of fifty Dollars good and lawful money for Va. for value recd. as witness our hands & Seals this the 29th Decr in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and twenty seven
>
> Teste — Wm B Vaughan
> Thomas J. Bright — Simon Miller"

The 1828 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following household on April 9:

Date of Receiving	Persons Names Charged With Tax	Slaves Above 12 years of age	Horses Mares Colts & Mules
April 9	Matthew Wright	3	8

Stud Horses No $ Tax	____ & Harness No $ Tax	pheatons & Stage Waggons No. $ Tax	Amt. of Tax $ Cts
			2.37

The 1828 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	Description of Land
Matthew Wright	Bedford	389	on B D Adj of G. Stover
Do	"	160	on the Same

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land pr Acre	Sum added to Land on a/c of Buildings Thereon	Total Value of Land	List of Tax on Land at 8 cts for every $100 Valuation	Remarks
18SW	6.28	150	2442.92	1.96	
17W	2.50		400.00	.32	

The 1828 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, also listed Matthew & John Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate	___	___
Matthew & John Wright	Bedford	fee	1	

Value of lots Including Buildings	Yearly Rent	Tax	___
		.06	

The 1828 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Mathew Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate Whether held for life or in fee	Number of Acres of Land	Description of the Land
Mathew Wright	Bedford	in fee	270	Stanton

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Vallue of Land per acre Including Building	Sum added to the Land on account of Building	Total Vallue of Land & Buildings	Amount of Tax on Land	Explanation of alterations During the preceding Year
25 NE	1.25		337.50	.27	

On May 3, 1828, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 21/175 Matthew Wright purchased 178-1/2 acres of land from Paschal Buford and Matthew Pate in a trustees' sale:

"This Indenture made & entered into this 3rd day of May 1828 between Paschall Buford & Matthew Pate both of the County of Bedford & State of Virginia Trustees for George Saunders & Robert W Saunders of the one part and Matthew Wright of the County & State aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth That whereas the said Paschal Buford & Matthew Pate trustees as aforesaid, after having duly advertised agreeably to the provisions of the Trust Deed, hath this day proceeded to sell by way of Public Auction, to the highest bidder for ready money the tract of Land mentioned in the said Trust Deed whereon the said Robert W Saunders resides containing one hundred seventy eight & a half acres be the same more or less situate lying & being in the county of Bedford & on both sides of falling creek & bounded as follows by the lands of Robert Hardy, on the South on the West by the Lands of George Rust decd, on the north by the Lands of James Liner, & Elias James & on the east by the Lands of James Corley & that whereas the said Matthew Wright being the highest bidder the said Land & appurtenances was cried out to him at the sum of one hundred & Seventy one dollars the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged to have & to hold the aforesaid tract or parcel of Land together with all the priviledges & appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appurtaining unto him the said Matthew Wright his heirs & assigns forever & the said Paschal Buford & Matthew Pate doth covenant & agree to and with the said Matthew Wright that they they will forever warrant & defend all the right and title of the aforesaid tract or parcel of Land vested in them as Trustees aforesaid unto him the said Matthew Wright his heirs and assigns forever. In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals the day and date first above written.

Wm Campbell
W. W. Watts
Calohill Mennis

Paschal Buford
Matthew Pate

At a Court held for Bedford County at the Courthouse September 22nd 1828.

This Indenture of Bargain & Sale from Matthew Pate & Paschal Buford Trustees to Matthew Wright was acknowledged by said Pate & Buford and ordered to be recorded

Teste
Ro. C. Mitchell CBC"

On October 2, 1828, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 21/190 Matthew Wright acted as trustee on a deed of trust executed by William Payne to secure a debt due to Elias James.

On January 26, 1829, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 21/313 Matthew Wright acted executed a surety bond for the appointment of Joseph P. Wright as constable of Bedford County:

> "Know all men by these presents that we Joseph P. Wright & Matthew Wright are held and firmly bound unto William B Giles Esqr Governor or Chief Magistrate of this commonwealth now sitting in the just and full sum of five thousand dollars current money of Virginia to which payment well & truly to be made to the said Governor or his successors we bind ourselves and each of us our and each of our Heirs Exors & admrs Jointly and severally firmly by these presents, Sealed and dated this 26th day of January 1829. The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas the above bound Joseph Wright is appointed constable for the County of Bedford to act in the bounds of James West former constable Now if the said Joseph Wright shall well and truly discharge the duties of his office of constable in said County during his continuance in office then the above obligation to be void else remain in full force and virtue
>
> Witness) Joseph P. Wright
> Robert P. Mitchell) Matthew Wright
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> At a Court held for Bedford County at the courthouse thereof January 26th 1829
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> This constables Bond was acknowledged by the parties thereto and ordered to be recorded
>
> Teste
> Ro C. Mitchell C.B.C."

On about March 23, 1829, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Matthew Wright filed a complaint against William B. Vaughn and Simon Miller for payment of a debt of $50:

> "Bedford County, to wit: Matthew Wright Plaintiff, complains of Wm B lias William B Vaughn & Simon Miller Defendants in custody, &c. of a plea that they render unto him the sum of fifty dollars with Int thereon from 29 Dec 1827 which they owe to and from him injustly detain. For that the said defendants on the 29th day of Decr in the year of Christ 1827, at the parish of ____ and county aforesaid, by their writing obligatory, sealed with their seals, the date whereof is as above set forth and now by the plaintiff to the court shown, did promise and

oblige themselves or either of them to pay unto the said plaintiff on demand & for vallue recd the sum of $50 and the plaintiff in fact avers that the said defendants nor either of them the said sum of $50 did not pay according to the intent and effect of their said writing obligatory, although often thereto required. Whereby an action hath accrued to the said plaintiff, to have and demand thereon of the said defendants or either of them the said sum of $50 with Int thereon as first above written. Nevertheless the said last mentioned sum the said defendants although often required hath not paid nor has either of them but the same to pay hath hitherto and still doth refuse, to the damage of the plaintiff $20 wherefore he sues

Wm Cook, P.Q."

On March 23, 1829, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers a summons was issued against William B. Vaughan and Simon Miller to answer the complaint of Matthew Wright for payment of a debt of $50:

"The Commonwealth of Virginia,
To the Sheriff of Bedford County, Greeting:

We command you to take Wm alias William B Vaughan & Simon Miller if they be found within your bailiwick, and them safely keep, so that you have their bodies before the Justices of our county court of Bedford, at the Court House thereof, on the fourth Monday in May next, to answer Matthew Wright of a plea of Debt for fifty dollars with Interest thereon from 29th Decr 1827 Damage $20 And have then there this writ. Witness, Robert C. Mitchell, clerk of our said court, the 23d day of March 1829, and in the 53 year of our Independence.

Ro. C. Mitchell"

On March 26, 1829, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Jubal Jordan executed his surety bond to secure the payment by Simon Miller of any judgement awarded against him in the suit by Matthew Wright:

"Bedford County, to wit:

Memorandum: - That upon the 26th day of March in the year 1829, Jubal Jordan of Bedford county, personally appeared before me Saml P Mitchell deputy sheriff of Henry Brown sheriff of the county aforesaid, and undertook for Simon Miller at the suit of Mathew Wright in an action of Debt for fifty Dollars with interest thereon from 29th Decr 1827 Damage $20.00 now depending in the County court of the county aforesaid, that in case the said Simon Miller shall be cast in the said suit, the said Simon Miller will pay and satisfy the condemnation of the

court, or render his body to prison in execution for the same, or that he the said Jubal Jordan will do it for him Given under my hand this 26 day of March 1829

Saml P Mitchell DS
for H Brown SBC

I Jubal Jordan have acknowledged the above recognizance of bail, and in testimony thereof have hereunto affixed my hand and seal this 26th day of March 1829

Simon Miller
Jubal Jordan"

The 1829 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following household on April 16:

Date of Receiving Lists	Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White Tythes	Blacks	Horses Mules Colts & Mares	Stud No $ Cts
April 16	Matthew Wright		4	8	

Two wheeled riding Carriages & Harness not exceeding in value $100	Above the value of $100	Faytons Stage Waggons & Harness belonging thereto Carry Alls & Jersey Waggons	Amt of Tax
			2.40

The 1829 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	Description of Land
Matthew Wright	Bedford	389	On Beaver Dam
Do	"	160	On the same
Do	"	178½	On falling Cr

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land pr Acre	Sum added to Land on Act of the Buildings Thereon	Total value of Land	Amt of Tax on Land at 8 Cents for every $100 Valuation	
18SW	6.28	150	2442.92	1.96	
17SW	2.50		400.00	.32	
20 "	3.00		534.00	.43	

This record reflects the purchase of 178-1/2 acres of land by Bedford County Deed 21/175.

The 1829 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, also listed Matthew & Jno Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate	___	___
Matthew & Jno Wright	Bedford	fee	1	

Value of lots Including Buildings	Yearly Rent	Tax	___
		.06	

The 1829 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Mathew Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate whether Fee for life &c	Number of Acres	Situation of Land
Mathew Wright	Bedford	Fee	270	Staunton

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of Land Pr Acre including Buildings &c	Sum added to the Value of the Land on account of Improvements &c	Total Value of Land & Improvements	Amount of Tax on Land	Explanation of alterations During the preceding Year
25 NE	1.25	300.00	337.50	.27	

On May 28, 1829, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Marquis D. Gray executed his surety bond to secure the payment by William B. Vaughan of any judgement awarded against him in the suit by Matthew Wright:

"Bedford County, to wit:

Memorandum: - That upon the 28th day of May in the year 1829, Marquis D Gray of the County of Bedford personally appeared before me Saml P Mitchell deputy sheriff for Henry Brown sheriff of the county aforesaid, and undertook for William B Vaughan at the suit of Mathew Wright in an action of Debt for fifty Dollars with int from 29th Decr 1827 Damage $20.00 now depending in the County court of the county aforesaid, that in case the said William shall be cast in the said suit, the said William B Vaughan will pay and satisfy the condemnation of the court, or render his body to prison in execution for the same, or that he the said Marquis D Gray will do it for him Given under my hand this 28th day of May 1829

Saml P Mitchell DS
for H Brown SBC

I Marquis D Gray have acknowledged the above recognizance of bail, and in testimony thereof have hereunto affixed my hand and seal this 28th day of May 1829

Marquis D. Gray"

The 1830 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Mathew Wright with the following household on April 17:

Date of Receiving Lists	Names of Persons Owning Property 31st January 1830	White Tithes	Blacks over 12 Years	Horses Mules &c	Stud Horses
April 17	Mathew Wright	3	4	8	

Price of Tax	Riding Carriages	Price of	Amount of Tax
			2.04

The 1830 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Mathew Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	Description of Land
Mathew Wright		389	On Beaver Dam
Do		160	on the same
Do		178½	on falling Cr

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land P Acre	Sum added to the Land On Account of the Building Thereon	Total Value of Land	Amt of Tax on land at 8 Cents for Every $100 Value	___
18SW	6.28	150	2442.92	1.96	
17SW	2.50		400.00	.32	
20	3.00		534.00	.43	

The 1830 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, also listed Matthew & Jno Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate	___	Liberty
Matthew & Jno Wright		fee	1	

Value of lots Including Buildings	Yearly Rent	Tax	___
		.06	

The 1830 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate whether in Fee or for life	Number of Acres	Situation of Land
Matthew Wright	Bedford	Fee	270	Staunton

Distance from C House	Bearing from C House	Value of Land Per Acre, including Buildings	Sum added to Value of Land for Improvements	Total Value of Land & Improvements
25	NE	1.25	300.00	337.50

Amount of Tax on Land	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding Year
.27	

The 1830 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed one Matthew Wright with the following members of his household:

Names Heads of Families	Free White Males	Age	Free White Females	Age
Matthew Wright	1	50-60	1	40-50
	2	20-30	1	20-30
	1	5-10	3	15-20
			2	10-15

Slaves Male	Age	Slaves Female	Age	Free Colored Males	Age	Free Colored Females	Age
1	24-36	2	10-24				
2	10-24						

White Persons included in the foregoing

Total	Deaf & Dumb Under 14	Deaf & Dumb 14 to 25	Deaf & Dumb 25+	Blind	Aliens - Foreign-ers & Natural-ized
16					

Slaves and Colored Persons, included in the foregoing

Deaf & Dumb under 14	Deaf & Dumb 14 to 25	Deaf & Dumb 25+	Blind

This record indicates that Matthew Wright was born between 1770 and 1780 and that Nancy (____) Wright was born between 1780 and 1790.

The 1831 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Mathew Wright with the following household on April 16:

List	Names of Persons Owning Property 31st of Jany 1831	Blacks of 12 years	Horses Coalts &c	Riding Carrages	Stud Horses	Amt of Tax
April 16	Mathew Wright	4	8			1.48

The 1831 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Mathew Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	description of Land January 1st 1831
Mathew Wright	Bedford	389	On Beaver dam Cr
Do	"	160	On the Same
Do	"	178½	On falling Cr

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land pr Acre	Sum added to the Land on a/c of the building thereon	Total value of Land	Amt of tax on land at 8 cents for Every $100 Valuation	Remarks
18SW	6.26	150	2442.92	1.96	
17 "	2.50		400.00	.32	
20 "	3.00		534.00	.43	

The 1831 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, also listed M & J Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	___	Estate	Liberty
M & J Wright	Bed	fee	1	

Value of Lots Including the Buildings thereon ___	Yearly Rent	Tax on Lots	____
		.06	

The 1831 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate whether in Fee or for life	Number of Acres	Situation of Land
Matthew Wright	Bedford	Fee	270	Staunton

Distance from Ct House	Bearing from Ct House	Value of Land Per Acre, including Buildings	Sum added to Value of Land for Improvement	Total Value of Land & Improvements
25	NE	1.25	300.00	337.50

Amount of Tax	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
.27	

The 1832 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Mathew Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving list	Names of persons Owning property January 31st 1832	White Tithes	Blacks Over 12 yrs. old	Horses Colts &c	Stud Horses
	Mathew Wright	1	4	6	

Riding Carriages	Amt of Tax
	1.36

The 1832 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	description of Land January 1st 1831
Matthew Wright	Bed	389	On Beaver Dam
Do	"	160	On the Same
Do	"	178½	On falling Cr

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land pr Acre	Sum Added to Land on A/C of building thereon	Total value of Land	Amt of tax on land at 8 cents for Every $100 Valuation	Remarks
18SW	6.28	150	2442.92	1.96	
17 "	2.50		400.00	.32	
20 "	3.00		534.00	.43	

The 1832 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, also listed M & John Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate	___	Liberty
M & John Wright		fee	1	

Value of Lots Including Buildings	Yearly Rent	Tax $ lot	___
		.06	

The 1832 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate whether in Fee or for life	Number of Acres	Situation of land
Matthew Wright	Bedford	Fee	270	Staunton

Distance from Court House	Bearing from Court House	Value of Land Per acre, Including buildings	Sum added to Land in Improvement	Total Value of Land and Improvements
25	NE	1.25	200.00	337.50

Amount of Tax	Explanation of alterations during the Preceding year
.27	

In March 1832 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 23/474 Matthew Wright was ordered to allot hands for road repair:

"Ordered that Edmund Pate & Matthew Wright allot to Thomas Bandy a surveyor of the road his hands & report to Court"

The 1833 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Mathew Wright with the following household:

____	Names of persons Owning property January 1st 1833	White Tithes	Blacks Over 12	Horses, Colts, Mules &c
	Mathew Wright	1	4	6

Riding Carriages	Stud Horses	_____	Amt of Tax
			1.26

The 1833 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners of Land____	Residence	No. of Acres	Description of Land January 1st 1833
Matthew Wright	Bed	389	On Beaver Dam Cr
Do	"	160	On the Same
Do	"	178½	On falling Cr

Distance & bearing from the court house	Value of Land pr Acre	Sum added to Land on a/c of building thereon	Total Value of Land	Amt of tax on land at 8 cts pr $100 worth	For the Auditor
18SW	6.28	150	2442.92	1.96	
17 "	2.50		400.00	.32	
20 "	3.00		534.00	.43	

The 1833 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, also listed M & Jno. Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate	___	Liberty
M & Jno. Wright		fee	1	

Value of Lots Including buildings	Yearly Rent	Tax $	
		.06	

The 1833 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate whether in fee or for life	No of Acres	Situation of land
Matthew Wright	Bedford	Fee	270	Staunton

Distance from Ct House	Bearing from Ct House	Value of land Per acre, Including buildings	Sum added to Land for Improvement	Total Value of Land and Improvements
25	NE	1.25	200.00	337.50

Amount of Tax	Explanation of alterations during the Preceding year
.27	

On May 13, 1833, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 23/498 Matthew Wright and Nancy Wright sold 160 acres of land to William Thomarson:

> "This Indenture made and entered into this 13th day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty three between Matthew Wright and Nancy his wife of the County of Bedford and State of Virginia of the one part and William Thomarson of the County and State aforesaid of the other part witnesseth that for and in consideration of the sum of four hundred and eighty dollars to them in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath given, granted, bargained sold and confirmed and by these presents doth grant bargain sell and confirm unto William Thomarson his heirs & assigns forever a

certain tract or parcel of land situate and lying in the County of Bedford and bounded as follows Viz Begining at a maple on Beaverdam creek corner to Rite Wright S 45 W 38 poles to a red oak N 85 W 21 poles, S 40 W 20 poles, S 10 W 20 poles to a red oak N 75 W 76 poles to a red oak, N 42 W 41 poles to a white oak, W 32 poles to a white oak, N 75 W 42 poles to a red oak, N 6 poles to pointers, N 78 W 32 poles to a white oak, N 25 E 140 poles to a white oak S 37 E 70 poles to a maple on a branch thereon down the same to the creek thence down the creek, off S. 13 W. 86 poles to a pine, S. 9 E. 96 poles to a post oak, S 36 E. 26 poles to a branch, thence down the same to the creek, thence down the same to the begining, containing 160 acres, be the same more or less. To have and to hold the aforesaid tract or parcel of land together with all the priviledges and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining unto him the said William Thomerson his heirs & assigns forever. The said Matthew Wright and his wife Nancy doth covenant for themselves their heirs &c that they will forever warrant & defend the right & title of the aforesaid tract or parcel land unto him the said Wm Thomerson his heirs and assigns forever against the claims or demands of all persons or manner of persons whatever. In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands & seals this the day & date first above written.

Matthew Wright

Nancy her X mark Wright

Bedford County to wit

We Wm Shrewsbury and Matthew Pate Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid & state of Virginia do hereby certify that Matthew Wright party to a certain deed bearing date on the 13" day of May 1833 thereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid & acknowledged the same to be his act & deed & desired us to certify said acknowledgement to the clerk of the County Court of Bedford in order the said deed may be recorded. Given under our hands and seals this 22nd day of May 1833

Wm Shrewsbury
Matthew Pate J.P.

Bedford County to wit

We William Shrewsbury and Matthew Pate Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid do hereby certify that Nancy Wright wife of Matthew Wright parties to a certain deed for the conveyance of real estate & hereto annexed, personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her, she

the said Nancy Wright declared that she willingly signed sealed & delivered the same & that she wished not to retract it.

Given under our hands & seals this 22nd day of May 1833

Wm Shrewsbury
Matthew Pate J.P.

At the Clerks Office of the County Court of Bedford the 10th day of October 1833. This Indenture of bargain and sale from Matthew Wright and Nancy his wife to William Thomarson for the conveyance of real estate was exhibied into the Office and together with the certificate thereon endorsed admitted to record.

Teste
Ro C Mitchell C.B.C."

The 1834 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Mathew Wright with the following household:

_____	Names of persons Owning property the 31st of January 1834	White Tithes	Blacks Over 12 Years	Horses Mares &c.
	Mathew Wright	1	4	7

Stud Horses	Carriages &c	Amt of Tax
		1.42

The 1834 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	Description of Land January 1st 1834
Matthew Wright	Bed	389	On Beaver dam Cr
do	"	178½	on falling Cr

Distance & bearing from the Court house	Value of Land per Acre	Sum added to Land on a/c of buildings thereon	Total Value of Land	Amot of Tax on Land at 8 cents for every $100	____
18 SW	6.28	150	2442.92	1.96	
20 "	3.00		534.00	.43	

This record reflects the sale of 160 acres of land by Bedford County Deed 24/398.

The 1834 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, also listed M & Jno. Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate	___	Liberty
M & Jno. Wright	Bed	fee	1	

Value of Lots Including buildings	Yearly Rent	Tax $	____
		.06	

The 1834 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners of Land	Residence	Estate whether in fee or life	Number of Acres	Situation of land
Matthew Wright	Bedford	Fee	270	Staunton

Distance from C House	Bearing from Court House	Value of Land Per Acre	Sum added for Improvements	Total Value of Land & Improvements
25	NE	1.25	200.00	337.50

Amount of Tax of Land
.27

The 1835 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Mathew Wright with the following household:

	Names of persons Owning property the 31st of January 1835	White Tithes	Blacks Over 12	Horses Colts &c
	Mathew Wright	1	4	5

Riding Carriages	Stud Horses	Amount of Tax
		1.30

The 1835 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of acres	Description of land January 1st 1835
Matthew Wright		389	On the Same
do		178½	on falling Cr

Distance & Bearing from the Court House	Value of land per acre	Sum Added to the Land on accout of Buildings thereon	Total Value of Land	Amount of tax on land at 8 Cts for every G100
16	6.28	150	2442.92	1.96
20 SW	3.00		534.00	.43

The 1835 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, also listed M & John Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate	___	Liberty
M & John Wright		fee	1	

Value of Lots Including buildings	Yearly Rent	Tax	___
		.06	

The 1835 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners of Land	Residence	Estate whether in fee or life	Number of Acres	Situation of land
Matthew Wright	Bedford	Fee	270	Staunton

Distance from C House	Bearing from Ct House	Value of Land Per Acre	Sum added for Improvements	Total Value of Land & Improvements
25	NE	1.25	200.00	337.50

Amount of Tax of Land	Explanations of Alterations during the Preceding Year
.27	

The 1836 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Mathew Wright with the following household:

_____	Names of persons Owning property 1st of January 1836	White Tithes	Blacks Over 12	Horses
	Mathew Wright	1	3	5

Carriages & Stud Horses	Amount of Tax
	1.05

The 1836 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of acres	Description of land January 1st 1836
Matthew Wright	Bedford	389	On the Same
do		178½	on falling Creek

Distance & Bearing from the Court House	Value of land pr acre	Improve-ments Added to the Land On account of Buildings thereon	Total Value of Land	Amount of Tax On Land	___
16	6.28	150	2442.92	1.96	
20 SW	3.00		534.00	.43	

The 1836 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, also listed M & John Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate	___	Liberty
M & John Wright		fee	1	

Value of Lots Including buildings	Yearly Rent	Tax	___
		.06	

The 1836 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names of Owner	Residence of Owners	Estate whether in fee or Life	Number of Acres	Situation
Matthew Wright	Bedford	Fee	270	Staunton

Distance from Ct House	Bearing from Ct House	Value of Land Per Acre	Value of Improvements	Value of Land Including Improvements
25	NE	1.25	200.00	337.50

Amount of Tax	Explanations of Alterations during the Preceding Year
.27	

The 1837 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following household:

_____	Names of persons Owning property 31st of January 1837	White Tythes	Blacks	Horses &c
	Matthew Wright	2	3	8

Studs Carriages &c ___	Tax $ Cts
	1.23

The 1837 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	Description of land January 1st 1837
Matthew Wright		389	On the Same
do		178½	on falling Creek

Distance & Bearing from the Court House	Value of land pr Acre	Improvements added to the Land On Account of Buildings thereon	Total Value of Land	Amount of Tax On Land	____
16	6.28	150	2442.92	1.96	
20 SW	3.00		534.00	.43	

The 1837 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, also listed M & John Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate	___	Liberty
M & John Wright		fee	1	

Value of Lots Including buildings	Yearly Rent $ lots	Tax $ lots	____
		.06	

The 1837 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names of Owner	Residence of Owners	Estate whether in fee or Life	Number of Acres	Situation of Land
Matthew Wright	Bedford	Fee	270	Staunton

Distance from Ct House	Bearing from Ct House	Value of Land Per Acre	Value of Improvements	Value of Land Including Improvements
25	NE	1.25	200.00	337.50

Amount of Tax	Explanations of Alterations during the Preceding Year
.27	

The 1838 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following household:

_____	Names of Persons Owning Property 31st of Jany 1838	White Tythes	Blacks Over 12	Horses
May 1	Matthew Wright	2	3	7

Carriages & Stud Horses	Tax $ Cts
	1.46

The 1838 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	Description of land January 1st 1838
Matthew Wright		389	On Bever dam Cr
do		178	on falling C

Distance & Bearing from the Court House	Value of Land pr Acre	Improvements added to the Land On Account of Buildings thereon	Total Value of Land	Amount of Tax On Land	____
16 SW	6.28	150	2442.92	2.45	
20 "	3.00		534.00	.54	

The 1838 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, also listed M & John Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate	___	Liberty
M & John Wright		fee	1	

Value of Lots Including Buildings	Yearly Rent	Tax	____
		.06	

The 1838 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence of Owners	Estate	No of Acres	Situation of Land
Matthew Wright	Bedford	Fee	270	Stanton

Distance	and Bearing from the Court House	Value of Land Per Acre	Value of Improvements	Value of Land Including Improvements
25	NE	1.25	200.00	337.50

Amount of Tax	Explanations of Alterations during the Preceding Year
.34	

In August 1838 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 26/192 Matthew Wright was granted a license to keep a house of private entertainment as his house:

> "On the motion of Matthew Wright who produced the Sheriffs receipt for $2.00 the tax imposed by law, leave is granted him to keep a house of private entertainment at his house in this County until the next May term of this Court."

The 1839 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following household:

Date of Receiving Lists	Names of Persons Owning Property 28 February 1839	White Tythes	Blacks	Horses Colts Mares &c
Apl 3rd	Matthew Wright	2	3	7

Riding Carriages	Stud Horses	Amount of Tax $ Cts
		1.46

The 1839 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	Description of land March 1st 1839
Matthew Wright		389	On Bever dam Cr
Do		178	on Falling Creek

Distance & bearing from the C. House	Value of Land Pr Acre	Improvements added to the Land On account of Buildings	Total Value of the Land	Tax $ Cts	___
16 SW	6.28	150	2442.00	2.45	
10 SW	2.00		534.00	.54	

The 1839 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, also listed M & Jno Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate	___	Liberty
M & Jno Wright	Bedfd	fee	1	

Value of Lots Including Buildings	Yearly Rent	Tax	
6			

The 1839 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names of Owner	Residence of Owners	Estate whether in fee or Life	Numbers of Acres	Situation of Land
Matthew Wright	Bedford	Fee	270	Stanton

Distance from Court House	Bearing from Court House	Value of Land Per Acre	Value of Improvements	Value of Land Including Improvements
25	NE	1.25	200.00	337.50

Amount of Tax	Explanations of Alterations during the Preceding Year
.34	

On May 25, 1839, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 28/53 Matthew and Nancy Wright sold 183 acres of land to Fleming Neighbors:

> "This Indenture made and entered into this 25th day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty nine between Matthew Wright and Nancy his wife of the County of Bedford and State of Virginia of the first part & Fleming Neighbours of the County and State aforesaid of the second part, Witnesseth that for and in consideration of the sum of five hundred & ninety seven dollars to them in hand paid, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath given, granted, bargained and sold and by these presents doth give, grant, bargain, sell and confirm unto Fleming Neighbours his heirs and assigns forever a certain tract or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the County of Bedford and State of Virginia and on Falling Creek, and bounded as follows Viz Beginning at Elijah Howells corner chesnut a little below said Howells Spring in

Joseph P. Wrights line, thence along said Wright's line to said Neighbours line, thence along said Nieghbour's line to George Pearsons line, to Rusts line, thence along said line to the land of James Tinor deceased, thence along said line to Elijah Howells line, thence along his line to the beginning-Containing 183 acres. To have and to hold the aforesaid tract or parcel of land together with all the privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining unto him the said Fleming Neighbours his heirs and assigns forever. The said Matthew Wright and his wife Nancy doth covenant for themselves their heirs &c that they will forever warrant and defend the right and title of the aforesaid tract or parcel of land unto him the said Fleming Neighbours his heirs and assigns forever, against the claims, or demands of all persons or manner of persons whatever. In Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals the day and date first written.

Matthew Wright
Nancy Wright

Bedford County to Wit

We William Shrewsbury and Matthew Pate Justices of the peace for the County aforesaid, do hereby certify that Matthew Wright a party to the within deed bearing date on the 25th day of May 1839 and hereto annexed, personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid, and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed, and desired us to certify said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Bedford in order to be recorded. Given under our hands and seals this 25th day of May 1839.

Wm Shrewsbury
Matthew Pate

Bedford Couny to Wit,

We William Shrewsbury and Matthew Pate Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid, do hereby certify that Nancy Wright wife of Matthew Wright parties to the within deed bearing date on the 25th day of May 1839 & hereto annexed, personally appeared before us in our County and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her, and being examined by us separately and apart from her husband, she the said Nancy Wright declared that she had willingly signed, sealed and delivered the same, and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 25th day of May 1839.

Wm Shrewsbury
Matthew Pate

At a Court held for Bedford County the 27" day of May 1839. This Indenture of bargain and sale from Matthew Wright and wife to Fleming Neighbours was produced in Court & together with the certificates thereto annexed, ordered to be recorded.

Teste
Ro. C. Mitchell CBC"

In August 1839 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 26/324 Matthew Wright was granted a license to keep a house of private entertainment as his house:

"On the motion of Matthew Wright, who produced the receipt of the Sheriff for one dollar and fifty Cents the tax imposed by law, bond is granted him to keep a house of private entertainment at his house in this County, until the next May term of this Court."

The 1840 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following household:

Date of Receiving the Lists	Names of Persons Owning Property the last of February 1840	White Tythes	Blacks Overe 12	Horses
Mch 12	Matthew Wright	1	3	5

Carriages &c___	Stud Horses	Amount of Tax $ Cts
		1.30

The 1840 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	Description of the Land
Matthew Wright		389	On Bever dam Cr

Distance & Bearing from the Court House	Value of Land Buildings	Sum added to the Value of Land on Account of Buildings	Total Value of Land On Account of Buildings	Tax $ Cts	
20 SW	5.03	400	1956.67	1.96	

This record reflects the sale of 183 acres of land by Bedford County Deed 53/28, previously taxed as 178 acres.

The 1840 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, also listed M & John Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate	No of Lots on Plan of Town
M & John Wright	Bedford	Fee	

Description of Lotts agreeable to plan of Town	Value Including Buildings	Sum added on Account of Buildings	Yearly Rent	Tax
			5.00	.06

The 1840 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Mathew Wright with the following property:

Names of Owner	Residence of Owners	Estate whether in fee or Life	Numbers of Acres	Residence of Land
Mathew Wright	Bedford	in fee	270	Stanton

Distance from Court House	Bearing from the Court House	Vallue of Land Per Acre	Vallue of Improvements	Vallue of Land Including Improvements
25	NE	2.00	200.00	540.00

Amount of Tax	Expla of Alterations during the Preceding Year
.54	

The 1840 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed one Matthew Wright with the following members of his household:

Names of Heads of Families	Free White Persons Males	Age	Free White Persons Females	Age
Matthew Wright	1	60-70	1	50-60
	1	20-30	2	20-30

Free Colored Persons Male	Age	Free Colored Persons Female	Age	Slaves Males	Age	Slaves Females	Age
				1	36-55	1	10-24
				1	24-36		
				3	0-10		

	Number of Persons in each Family Employed in					
Total	Mining	Agri-culture	Commerce	Manu-facture and trades	Navi-gation of the ocean	Naviga-tion of canals lakes and rivers
11		3				

Learned professions and engineers	Pensioners for Revolutionary or Military Services included in the foregoing Names	Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane White Persons included in the Foregoing		
		Deaf and Dumb Ages	No.	Blind Ages

Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane White Persons Included in the Foregoing [Continued]		Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane Colored Persons Included in the Foregoing			
		Deaf, Dumb, and Blind		Insane and Idiots	
Insane and idiots at public charge	Insane and idiots at private charge	Deaf & Dumb	Blind	Insane and idiots at private charge	Insane and idiots at public charge

Schools, &c.						
Universities or College	Number of Students	Academies & Grammar Schools	No. of Scholars	Primary and Common Schools	No. of Scholars	No. of Scholars at public charge

No. of white persons over 90 years of age in each family who cannot read or write

This record indicates that Matthew Wright was born between 1770 and 1780 and that Nancy (____) Wright was born between 1780 and 1790.

Based on the 1810, 1820, 1830, and 1840 Censuses, the birth date of Matthew Wright can be estimated as between 1776 and 1780. Our Kin listed the birth date as October 19, 1776, but no source was given for this information. The birth date of Matthew's wife Nancy (____) Wright can be estimated as between 1784 and 1790.

Since 1815 Joseph Wright residence was in Bedford County, the place of birth of Matthew Wright was probably at Bedford County, Virginia.

On June 3, 1840, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Samuel West executed his promissory note for $87.63 payable to Matthew Wright:

> "$87-63 On demand I promise to and Oblige myself my Heirs &c to pay or cause to be paid unto Matthew Wright or assigns the Just and full Sum of Eighty Seven Dollars current Money of Virginia for Value Received as witness my hand and seal this 3 day of June 1840
>
> Test Samuel West
> Susan E West"

In January 1841 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 27/159 Matthew Wright was granted a license to keep a house of private entertainment as his house:

> "On the motion of Matthew Wright who produced the receipt of the Sheriff for two dollars the tax imposed by law, leave is granted him to keep a house of private entertainment at his house in the County; until the next May term of this Court."

The 1841 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following household:

Date of Receiving the Lists	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	No. of White Tythes above 16	No. of Slaves above 12	No of horses &c
Apr 9th	Matthew Wright	1	3	6

Carriages whether 4 Wheeled or 2 Wheel'd Riding Carriages	Value of Carriages	Amount of Tax
	1.95	

The 1841 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	Description or Situation of The Land
Matthew Wright		389	On the Same

Distance and Bearing from the Court House	Value of Land pr Acre Including Buildings	Sum added to the Value of the Land on account of Buildings	Total Value of Land on account of Buildings	Amount of tax on the Land
20 SW	5.03	400	1956.67	2.45

The 1841 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, also listed M & John Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate	No of Lots
M & John Wright	Bedford	Fee	

Description of Lots Agreeable To Plan of Town	Value of Lots Including Buildings	Sum added to Lots on account of Buildings	Yearly Rent	Name of Town	Amt of Tax
			5.00		.07

The 1841 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Mathew Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence of Owners	Estate whether for Life or in fee	No of Acres of Land	Residence of Lands
Mathew Wright	Bedford	in fee	270	Stanton

Distance from the Court House	Bearing from the Court House	Vallue of Land Per Acre	Vallue of Improvements	Vallue of Land Including Improvements
25	NE	2.00	200.00	540.00

Amount of Tax	Expla of Alterations during the Preceding Year
.68	

In September 1841 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 27/241 Peter M. Wright was appointed administrator of the estate of Matthew Wright:

> "On the motion of Peter M. Wright who made oath and together with Francis Johnson, Wilson Meador and Joseph P. Wright his Securities entered into and acknowledged bond in the penalty of ten thousand dollars conditioned according to law, certificate is granted him for obtaining letters of administration on the estate of Matthew Wright deceased in due form."

In September 1841 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 27/241 appraisers were appointed to appraise the estate of Matthew Wright:

> "Ordered that Matthew Pate, John Claytor, Silas Dearing and William Johnson or any three of them being first sworn appraise the estate of Matthew Wright deceased & report to Court."

An Inventory and Appraisement for Matthew Wright dated October 19, 1841, was filed on February 28, 1842, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 11/1 with Peter Meador Wright as administrator:

> "Inventory and appraisement of the personal estate of Matthew Wright deceased made 19" October 1841.

7 oat stacks $100. one gray horse $60	160.00	
1 Gray mare $45. Bay mare $50	95.00	
Black mare $60. bay horse $75	135.00	
Dun coloured colt $30. Stack of clover for seed $3	33.00	
Large iron tooth harrow	.75	
21 Sheep $31.50, 3 calves $4.50	36.00	
1 waggon with sheet, bows, stretchers, feed trough & Singletrees	55.00	
30 Geese $5. house of wheat straw $3	8.00	
2 mowing sythes with Sneads & one unstocked	2.50	525.25
2 Sythes and cradles $3. large tuning plow double tree & clivis 1.75	4.75	
1 small tuning plow singletree and clivis	1.50	
2 shovel plows and stocks	1.00	
2 coulters and stocks and 2 clivices	1.25	

2 Spades 1.50 & 9-2/5 bushels flax seed 4.70	6.20	
423 bushels wheat 4/6 pr bushel	317.25	
1 new axeltree & pair hounds for waggon	1.00	
1 Sand Seive 4/6 one halter chain & 2 collars 3/	1.25	
Tar bucket 1/6 and Set of hind gear 4.50	4.75	338.95
1 pair hip strops including 2 backbands pr. harnes collar & traces	1.50	
3 blind bridles and line	1.25	
5 grain hogsheads and one tub	5.00	
Platform for Cider press cutting knife & box	1.75	
3 old barrels and old wheat fan	7.50	
A parcel of flax & ½ small blade stack	.75	17.75
Shucks off 60 barrels corn	4.80	
3 pitch forks and 2 hay rakes	1.00	
Quantity of hay in the barn	33.00	
Quantity of clover hay in Shed	2.00	
21-3/4 Bbs. old Corn 3/ pr bush $54.37 half bush measure 3/	54.87	
60½ barrels new corn 12/ pr barrel	121.17	
Lot of old irons and Singletree	3.00	219.84
Handsaw drawing knife iron square fore plain & 2 Screw augers	2.00	
Lot of hoes $1 Log chain 2 pr old chain $3	4.00	
1 pr. Steelyards reap hook and iron wedge	1.50	
1 muly steer nubs of horns	15.00	
1 Spotted muled do. & speckled bull	27.00	
1 black & white marked heifer with horns	7.00	
1 Small red and white coloured Steer horned	7.00	
1 Small yearling horned and white muled Dow	14.00	77.50
1 red horned Cow & red muld do	25.00	
1 Spotted Muld Cow	14.00	
1 Sow & 6 pigs and 3 large barrows	24.00	
9 Small barrows & 2 hogs in the pen	24.00	
2 grubbing hoes and grindstone	2.50	
154 bushels of sweet potatoes 1/6	38.50	
2 bee hives 8 old bed gums & a small hackle	3.00	131.00
2 Sheep skins and 2 old mowing blades	1.75	
1 old Shotgun & Small pair steelyards	2.25	
6 windsor chairs & lot split bottom do	11.00	
1 walnut cupboard & a parcel hay in stable	17.00	
1 white boar	4.00	
1 walnut press and work stand	20.50	
1 Curcan and walnut folding table	18.00	74.50
40 lbs wool rolls 3/		20.00
1 flax wheel & walnut folding table	6.00	

1 check reel, clock & cases & womans Saddle	26.00	
1 Candlestand and hackle	2.00	
1 Mans Saddle and tin fat stand	5.50	
3 large jugs and basket spools	2.00	
4 pole axes and large walnut table	4.75	
1 loom and weaving gear to it & 3 cotton wheels	9.00	
2 tea kettles & lot water vessels	2.25	
1 large bell and collar & lot castings	4.50	62.00
Amount brought forward		$1466.79
pr. sad irons and brass kettle	3.75	
Shovel tongs and pan handle	1.50	
Small oven and 2 pair hooks pr waffle irons and Skinner	1.50	
Frying pan and 2 old chums	1.00	
pair warping bars and spool frame	.50	
4 cider barrels & small runlet	3.50	
2 old flax wheels, 3 cider barrels & small tub	1.75	
1 old Side Saddle, 1 fat stand & 6 old tubs	2.50	
4 washing tubs, 3 large pots & pot rack	4.75	20.75
2 oat stacks and a parcel of top fodder standing in the shock in the field	15.00	
1 half and 2 blade Stacks	2.00	
2 feather beds, under beds, bedsteads & furniture	35.00	
4 feather beds without furniture	32.00	
4 Common bedsteads & 1 half curtain do	10.00	
2 bureaus $20. and cherry folding table $6	26.00	120.00
1 Safe & its contents consisting of 3 books, 2 water buckets, earthen & glass ware, waiter candlesticks and 2 coffee pots	20.00	
1 pine dressing table & kitchen do	3.75	
2 chests & white counterpane	5.00	
2 pine boxes & 6 Bales Cotton yarn	7.75	
2 looking glasses & dressing do	2.25	
1 Slate and 2 brass candlesticks	.75	39.50
1 waiter & a parcel of glass & earthenware	4.00	
3 Small trunks & Cross cut Saw	2.00	
4 pair and irons, frying pan & coffee mill	3.38	
1 pair Saddle bags and Steel trap	5.25	
3 meal bags, 3 baskets & scraps of leather	2.00	
1 lot of milk crocks, tin pans and basins	2.00	
Lot of old irons and cotton gin	.63	19.26
½ lb undressed wool 1/6		.12
Bunch of flax from the brake	1.00	
2 Cutter pots, bottles & vials	1.00	
1 lot of milk crocks & books	6.00	8.00

Amount brought forward		$1674.42
194 lbs plaister in the rock 66¢ p. cwt	1.28	
3 old bridles and martingil & 2 old saddle blankets	1.50	
2 old umbrellas & lanthon	1.00	
1 lot weaving gear harness, slays and temples 5.00		
9 bushels shelled oats @ 30¢	2.70	
moulding plane & reap hook	".56	
Spice mortar and bread tray	".80	
yards of toe linen at	3.00	15.84
3 files and sausage cutter	".63	
1 pair compasses & 2 picture frames	1.10	
Lot tallow & 2 oil cloths or table covers	4.00	
2 yarn blankets & 2 checked counterpanes	8.00	
3 bed quilts & 3 yarn counterpanes	22.50	
2 white figured cotton counterpanes	8.00	
4 remnants flax and cotton cloth	4.00	
1 Mattock and broken leg pot	1.25	49.48
Jim a negro man $650. Andy do. do. $700	1350.00	
Charlotte a woman $450 Robert a boy $400	850.00	
John a negro boy $350 William a boy $150	500.00	
Jane a negro infant girl	100.00	2800.00
3 meal tubs omitted		".75
		$4540.49

Pursuant to an order of the County Court of Bedford pronounced at their September term 1841 we the undersigned appraisers having been first duly sworn proceeded to appraise the personal estate of Matthew Wright deceased according to the best of our skill and judgment as represented by the annexed inventory. Given under our hands this 19" day of October 1841.

Matthew Pate)
Silas Dearin) Appraisers
William Johnson)
Peter M Wright administrator

At a Court held for Bedford County the 28th day of February 1842.

This Inventory and appraisement of the estate of Matthew Wright deceased was produced in Court and ordered to be recorded.

Teste
Ro. C. Mitchell CBC"

In January 1842 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 27/288 commissioners were appointed to allot the dower interest of Matthew Wright's widow and divide the remainder of his estate among the heirs:

> "Ordered that Thomas Mead, Matthew Pate, Edmond McGeorge, George Overstreet & William Johnson, or any three of them allot to the widow of Matthew Wright Deceased her dower in the land of said decedant, and divide the balance of the lands of said decedant amongst those entitled thereto - and that they also allot to the Widow her dower in the slaves belonging to the estate of said decedent."

The 1842 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wrights Est with the following household:

Date of Receiving the Lists	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	No. of White Tythes above 16	No. of Slaves above 12	No of horses &c
Mch 25	Matthew Wrights Est	2		

Carriages whether 4 Wheeled or 2 Wheel'd riding Carriages	Value of Carriages	Amount of Tax
	.80	

The 1842 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Nancy Wright with the following household:

Date of Receiving the Lists	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	No. of White Tythes above 16	No. of Slaves above 12	No of horses &c
Apl 25	Nancy Wright			1

Carriages whether 4 Wheeled or 2 Wheel'd riding Carriages	Value of Carriages	Amount of Tax
	.12½	

The 1842 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	N of Acres	Description or Situation of the Land
Matthew Wright		389	On Bever Dam

Distance and Bearing from the Court House	Value of the Land Including Buildings pr Acre	Sum added to the Value of Land On account of Buildings	Total Value of Land On account of Buildings	Amount of Tax on the Land
20 SW	5.03	400	1956.67	2.45

The 1842 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, also listed M & John Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate	No of Lots
M & John Wright	Bedford	Fee	

Description of Lots Agreeable to Plan of Town	Value of Lots Including Buildings	Sum Added To Lots on Account of Buildings	Yearly Rents	Name of Town	Value of Tax
			5.00		.07

The 1842 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence of Owners	Estate Whether for life	No of	Residence of Lands
Matthew Wright	Bedford	in fee	270	Stanton

Distance from the Court House	Bearing from the Court House	Value of Land Per Acre	Value of Improvement	Value of Land Including Improvements
25	NE	2.00	200.00	540.00

Amount of Tax	Explanations of Alterations during the Preceding Year
.68	

The Division and Allotment of Matthew Wright's land was dated May 7, 1842, and recorded at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 11/138 and provided as follows:

"May the 7th 1842

agreeable to an order of the county court of Bedford we the undersigned have divided aloted the land of Matthew Wright Dcd lying in Bedford & Franklin county & have also allotted to Nancy Wright relict of said decd her dower in the Slaves as follows Viz, we alot to Nancy Wright as her dower in said estate 126 acres of Land including the mansion house Barn &c wich is laid of as follows Beginen at Post oak in Peter M Wrights line on west road thence new lines S 8 E 20 poles to pointers S 20 W 87 poles to a rock on Pates road S 74 W 14 poles to a small persamon bush S 29 W 96 poles to a pile of rocks in the field S 29 E 4 poles to pointer N 83 E 49 poles to a maple on greers branch thence the same as it meander N 5 W 20 poles N 4 E 20 poles pointer thence along lines of Peter M Wright N 24 E 54 poles to pointers N 40 E 84 poles to pointers on Pates road N 29 E 30 poles to a sourwood N 44 W 115 poles to the Begining

and Negro man Jim the vaue of 600.00 dollars & a negro Boy Bob the value of 400.00 dollars as her dower in the slave

Lot No 1 alot to Nancy Johnson containing 31 acres land of as follows Begining at pointers corner to the dower & Lot No 2 thence along the lines of the dower N 83 E 49 poles to a maple on greers branch thence down the same as it meanders S 5 E 6 poles S 37 E 12 poles S 1 W 34 poles S 12 W 22 poles to pointers in John Wrights line and along his line S 59 W 23 poles to Pates corner pointers and along her line N 62 W 71 poles to a white oak on on Beaverdam creek along the line of Lot No 2 N 48 E 52 poles to the Begining Value of $497

To pay Lot No 7	$77	)		
To pay Lot N8	45	)	$122	122
				$375

Lot No 2

we alott Joseph F Wright containing 45 acres of Land laid of as follows Begining at pointers in the dower line thence along the line of Lot No. 3 S 84 W 105 poles to Pates corner red oak near a fork of Branch thence along his lines S 15-3/4 W 43 poles to a persimon S 79 E 8-3/4 poles to a pine N 16 E 69 poles to pointers S 62 E 29 poles to a white oak on Beaverdam creek thence along the line of lot No 1 N 48 E 52 poles to pointer corner to the dower and along the lines of the same N 29 W 36 poles to the Begining

Value of			$414.00
to pay to Lot No 3	$31	)	
& to pay to Lot No 4	8	)	39.00
			$375 average

Lot No 3

We alott to John A Wright containing 40 acres of Land laid off as follows Begining at pointers in the dower line & corner to Lot No 2 thence along the line of said lot S 84 W 105 poles to Pates corner red oak near the fork of a branch thence along his line N 20-3/4 E 51 poles to James corner white thence along his line N 14 E 45 poles to pointer corner to Lot No 4 and along the line of the same N 85 E 70 poles to a pile of rocks & stake in the dower line and along the lines of the same S 29 W 32 poles to a pile of rocks S 29 E 51 poles to the Begining

Value of	344.00
To receive of Lot No 2	31.
	375 average

Lot No 4

We alotte to Peter M Wright containing 42-3/4 acres of Land laid as follows Begining at a stake & pile of rocks in the dower line corner to Lot No 3 thence along the lines of said lot N 85 W 70 poles to pointer in James land and along his line N 14 E 34 poles to his corner stake the same course continue in all 94 poles to a maple on a branch corner to Lot No 5 & 7 along the line of Lot No 5 S 61 E 108 poles to a rock on Pates road & corner to the dower the along the lines of the dower S 74 W 14 pole to a small persimon bush S 29 W 58 poles to the Begining

Value of		$342
To receive of Lot No 2	$8	
& To receive of Lot No 9	25	33
		375 average

Lot No 5

We alott to Jane Camper containing 58 acres Laid off as follows Begining at a rock on Pates road thence along the line of Lot No 4 N 61 W 102 poles to a maple on branch corner to Lots No 4 & 7 thence along the lines of Lot No 7 N 9 W 70 poles to a red oak corner to Lot No 6 & and along the lines of the Same S 86 E 124 poles to Peter M Wrights corner red oak along his line S 44 E 6 poles to a post oak corner to the dower thene along the lines of the same S 8 E 20 poles to pointers S 20 W 87 poles to the Begining

Value of		$401.00
to pay Lot No 6	$24	26.
& to pay Lot No 8	$ 3	375.

Lot No 6

We alott to Write H Wright containing 42-1/4 acres of Land laid off as follows Begining a Peter M Wright corner red oak & corner to Lot No 5 and along the lines of said Lot N 86 W 124 poles to a red oak in the line of Lot No 7 and along the line of the same N 9 W 25 poles to pointers corner to Lot No 7 & 8 thence along the lines Lot No 8 N 46-3/4 E 58 poles to James corner gum thence along his line N 38 E 36 poles to Fouts corner gum thence along his line N 43-1/2 E 84 [64?] poles Peter M Wright corner piles of rocks & along his line S 4 E 38 poles to the Begining

Value of	$352.00
To receive of Lot No 5	23.00
	$375

Lot No 7

We alott to Julia Compton containing 83 acres of Land laid of as follows Begining at James corner stake in the line of Lot No 4 thence along James lines N 65-1/2 W 95-1/2 poles to a walnut N 17 E 49-1/2 poles to a gum N 42-1/4 W 70 poles to a large rock near the mouth of a small branch N 50-1/2 E 6 poles to a blaze maple N 2-1/2 W 28 poles to pointer corner to Lot No 8 and along the lines of the same S 79 E 18 poles to pointers corner to Lot No 6 and along the lines of same & line of No 59 E 95 poles to a maple on a branch thene along the line of Lot No 4 S 14 W 60 poles to the Begining

Value of	$298.00
To receive of Lot No 1	77.00
	375

Lot No 8

We alot to Lydia Compton containing 83 acres of land Laid of as follows Begining at pointers corner to Lot No 6 & 7 thene along the lines of Lot No 7 N 79 W 11 poles to pointers in James line thene along his line N 2-1/2 W 20 poles to a red oak in a Ivy cleft N 17 E 37-1/2 poles to a gum on a branch N 46 E 27 poles to Samuel wests corner white oak down on said branch thene along wests line N 48-1/2 E 28 poles to pointer in Ivy N 77 E 39 poles to James corner line along his line S 39 E 106 poles to a gum corner to lot No 6 along the lines of the same S 46-3/4 W 58 poles to the Begining

Value of		$298
To receive of Lot No 1	45	77
To receive of Lot No 5	3	375
To receive of Lot No 9	2	
To receive of Lot No 10	27	
	77	

Lot No 9

we alot to Mildred Wright containing 158 acres of land in Franklin on the waters of linvill creek & Laid off as follows Begining at Paynes & simmons corner pointers thence along the line of Lot No 10 N 37 W 71 poles to a post oak near a old parth thence along Prathers line N 10 E 86 poles pointers N 31 E 85 poles to a post oak in wood line along his line S 57 E 241 poles to Simmons, corner red oak near the road thence along his line S 70-1/2 W 204 poles to Begining

Value of			$402
to pay Lot No 4	25	)	
to pay Lot No 9	2	)	27
	27		375

Lot No 10

we alot to Marry Meador containing 100 acres of Land in Franklin on the waters of linvill creek & laid of as follows Begining at paynes & simmons corner pointers thence along the line of Lot No 3 N 37 W 71 poles to a post oak near parth thence along Simmons line S 5 W 17 poles to a dead post oak S 55 W 58 poles to pointers in Hine line thence along his X Beard line S 35 E 166 poles to Paynes corner dead post oak thence along this line N 10 E 170 poles the Begining

Value of	$402
To pay Lot No 8	27
	375

which we submit to your worships given under our hands this 7th day of may 1842

Wm Johnson Engaged 5 days	William Johnson
George Overstreet 5 days	Edmd McGeorge
Edmund McGeorge 7 days	George Overstreet
in making the foregoing	
divisions & Survey	

At a Court held for Bedford County the 22nd day of August 1842 This Division of the lands of Matthew Wright deceased was produced in Court and ordered to be recorded

Teste
Ro. C. Mitchell CBC"

This record indicates that Matthew Wright's family consisted of the following:

Wife: Nancy (____) Wright

Children:
1) Joseph Pate Wright,
2) Nancy Johnson,
3) John A. Wright,
4) Peter M. Wright,
5) Julia Compton,

6) Lydia Compton,

7) Jane Camper,

8) Wright H. Wright,

9) Mary Meador, and

10) Mildred Wright.

On June 25, 1842, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 30/142 Joseph P. Wright and Elizabeth A. C. Wright conveyed 166 acres of land to the heirs of Matthew Wright which had been purchased by Matthew Wright during his lifetime:

> "This Indenture made and entered into this 25th day of June 1842, between Joseph P. Wright and Eliza his wife of the County of Bedford and State of Virginia of the first part, and the lawful heirs of Matthew Wright Deceased, of the second part, Witnesseth: that for and in consideration of the sum of three hundred dollars to them in hand paid, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath given, granted, bargained and sold, unto Matthew Wright during his life time, and by these presents doth give, grant, bargain, sell and confirm unto his lawful heirs their heirs and assigns forever, a certain tract or parcel of land, situate and lying in Bedford County on the waters of Beaverdam Creek and bounded as follows Viz. Beginning at a walnut in James's line, and along his line N. 17° E. 49-1/2 poles to a gum, N. 42-1/4 W. 70 poles to a large rock near the mouth of a small branch, N. 50-1/2 E. 6 poles to a blazed maple, N. 2-1/2 W. 48 poles to a red oak in an Ivy Clift W. 17 E. 37-1/2 poles to a small gum on a branch, N. 46-1/4 E. 27 poles to a white oak down by Samuel Wests fence, thence along his lines N. 48-1/2 E. 28 poles, N. 77 W. 39 poles to a pine corner to James, thence along his lines S. 39 E. 106 poles to a small gum in Matthew Wright Decd. line, thence along his lines S. 46-3/4 W. 58 poles to pointers on a ridge S. 9 E. 95 poles to a maple on a branch, S. 14 W. 60 poles to a stake in mouth of lane near the road, N. 65-1/2 W. 95-1/2 poles to the beginning - containing one hundred and sixty six acres. To have and to hold the aforesaid tract or parcel of land, together with all the priviledges and appertinances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining unto them the said heirs of Matthew Wright Deceased their heirs and assigns forever. The said Joseph P. Wright and Eliza his wife doth covenant for themselves, their heirs &c that they will forever warrant and defend the right and title of the aforesaid tract or parcel of land unto them the said lawful heirs of Matthew Wright Deceased their heirs and assigns, against the claims of themselves or all manner of persons whatsoever.

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and affixed our seals this the day and date first written

Joseph P. Wright
Elizabeth A. C. Wright

Bedford County to wit,

We Matthew Pate and John Claytor Justices of the peace on and for the County aforesaid, do hereby certify that Joseph P. Wright party to a certain deed bearing date 25th of June 1842 and hereunto annexed, personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed, and desired us to certify the said acknowledgment to the Clerk of the County Court of Bedford in order that the same may be recorded. Given under our hands and seals this 25th day of June 1842.

Matthew Pate J.P.
Jno Claytor J.P.

Bedford County to wit:

We Matthew Pate and John Claytor Justices of the peace in and for the County aforesaid, do hereby certify that Eliza Wright party to a certain deed bearing date 25th day of June 1842 and hereunto annexed, personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined privily and apart from her husband, and having said deed fully explained to her, acknowledged that she had willingly signed, sealed, and delivered the same and wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 25th day of June 1842.

Matthew Pate J.P.
Jno Claytor J.P.

Bedford Clerks Office January 2nd 1843. This Indenture of bargain and sale from Joseph P. Wright and wife to the heirs of Matthew Wright Deceased was produced in Office and together with the certificates thereto annexed, admitted to record.

Teste
Ro. C. Mitchell C.B.C."

In August 1842 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 28/32 the division of the lands of Matthew Wright was recorded and the commissioners allowed their fees:

"A division of the lands of Matthew Wright Deceased produced in Court and ordered to be recorded. And it is ordered that William Johnson, & George Overstreet two of the Commissioners who divided said land, be allowed five days each, at two dollars pr. day - and the other Commissioner Edmund McGeorge seven days at two dollars pr. day, for their services in dividing said land."

On about October 24, 1842, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers the heirs of Matthew Wright filed a complaint for the sale of certain of the slaves of the estate:

"To The Worshipfull the justices of the County Court of Bedford in Chancery sitting

The Bill of Complaint of your oraters & oratrices Joseph P. Wright John A. Wright Wright H. Wright Milly Wright, Valentine G. Camper & Jane his wife late Jane Wright, Wilson Meador & Polly his wife late Polly Wright Francis Johnson & Nancy his wife late Nancy Wright & John Compton & Lydia his wife late late Lydia Wright Respectfully represents unto your worships that Matthew Wright late of this County departed this life intestate on the __ day of _____ possessed among other property of four slaves named Andy Charlotte, John & William. That dower has been assigned to the widow of the said Matthew Wright Decd. and after assigning the same the four slaves above named remain to be divided among the distributees of said Intestates estate. They further represent unto your Worships that a certain Peter M. Wright administered on the estate of the said Matthew and has in his hands other sufficient assets to pay off & discharge all the debts and demands against the estate of his intestate without resorting to the slaves. That the said slaves can not be divided in kind among the distributees but will have to be sold for the purpose of distribution. And That the following persons are entitled to distribution in the said slaves as the children & heirs at law of the said Matthew Wright Decd to wit Your Orators & oratrixes Joseph P. John A. & Milly Wright Wright H Wright Jane Camper, Polly Meador Nancy Johnson, & Lydia Compton and Peter M. Wright & Nancy Jane Compton Matthew M. Compton, & Henry G. Compton children & heirs of Isaiah & Julia Compton decd. formerly Julia Wright (the last three of whom are infants under the age of twenty one years). To the end therefore that that right & justice may be done in the premises and for as much as they are without remedy at law your Orators & oratrices pray that the said Peter M. Wright as well in his character of admr. as in his own right & the said Nancy Jane Compton, Matthew M Compton and Henry G. Compton the three last of whom are infants may by the proper process be made defendants to this bill & compelled (the said Peter M. on oath & the infants by a Guardian to be assigned them for that purpose) full true & perfect answers to make to all the allegations herein contained. And finally the premises considered may it please your worships to decree a sale of the slaves aforesaid upon such terms & conditions as to you may seem most expedient and

cause the proceeds of such sale to be divided ammong your oraters & oratrixes & the other distributees of said Intestate according to their respective rights and Grant Your Orators & Oratrixes the Commonwealths writ of Subpoena &c and all such other & further relief as the nature of this case may require & equity & justice Dictate and as in duty bound they will ever pray &c

Wingfield & Johnson pq"

On about October 24, 1842, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Peter M. Wright filed his answer to the complaint of the heirs of Matthew Wright for the sale of certain of the slaves of the estate:

"The Seperate Answer of Peter M Wright as administrator of Matthew Wright decd. and in his own right to a bill of Complaint exhibited against him & others in the County Court of Bedford by Joseph P Wright & others - This Respondent saving all proper excetions to said bill for answer thereto says. That he admits the death of the said Matthew Wright that the persons named in the bill are his heirs & distributees that this respondent administered upon his estate, and that sufficient assets have come to his hands (exclusive of the slaves to pay all the debts & liabilities against said Intestates estate so far as this defendant knows or has heard of. And he is willing that the said slaves may be sold according to the prayer of the bill and that their proceeds may be divided among the said distributees upon their giving the usual refunding bond & having fully answered he prays to be herein dismissed &c."

On October 24, 1842, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers the Compton children by their guardian filed their answer to the complaint of the heirs of Matthew Wright for the sale of certain of the slaves of the estate:

"The joint answer of Nancy Jane Compton, Matthew M Compton & Henry G. Compton infants by Ro C Mitchell specially assigned their Guardian to a bill of Complaint exhibited against them by Joseph P. Wright & others in the County Court of Bedford - This Defendant saving all proper exceptions to said Bill for answer thereunto by their said Guardians answer & say

That they are infants of tender years, and pray that they may be allowed to place themselves under the discretion & control of this Court for the protection of their rights in the premises & that your worships will make such decree as is right & just & as in duty bound they will ever pray &c."

On about October 24, 1842, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers ordered the sale of certain of the slaves of the estate Matthew Wright:

"Wright & ux v Wright &c Chy

On the Motion of the plaintiffs by counsel the doth appoint Ro C. Mitchell Guardian ad litem to the infant defendants to defend their rights in this suit. And thereupon this Cause came on to be heard by consent (the adults by their counsel & the infants by their said Guardian) upon the bill of the plaintiffs answers of the defendant Peter M. Wright & the said infants by their said Guardian and was argued by Counsel, upon Consideration whereof the Court doth adjudge order & decree that the slaves in the bill mentioned after having been first advertised in one of the newspapers published in Lynchburg & at the Courthouse & other public places in this County for at least 3 weeks, be sold at public auction to the highest bidder on a credit of 12 months the purchasers giving bonds with approved security. And the Court doth further adjudge order & decree that Peter M. Wright be & he is hereby appointed a Commissioner to sell the said Slaves & carry this decree into effect. And that he report his proceedings herein to this Court in order to a final Decree"

A similar order was filed in October 1842 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 28/59:

"Wright &c. vs Wright &c. Chy: On the motion of the plaintiffs by counsel the Court doth appoint Robert C. Mitchell Guardian ad litem to the infant defendants to defend their rights in this suit - And thereupon this cause came on to be heard by consent (the adults by their counsel, and the infants by their guardian ad litem,) upon the bill of the plaintiffs, answers of the defendants Peter M. Wright, and the said infants by their said guardian, and was argued by counsel. Upon consideration whereof, the Court doth adjudge, order, and decree, that the slaves in the bill mentioned, after having been first advertised in one of the newspapers published in Lynchburg, and at the Courthouse and other public places in this County for at least three weeks, be sold at public auction to the highest bidder on a credit of twelve months, the purchasers giving bonds with approved security - And the Court doth further adjudge, order, and decree, that Peter M. Wright be, and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner to sell the said slaves, and carry this decree into effect, and that he report his proceedings herein to this Court, in order to a final decree. And liberty is reserved to the infant defendants to shew cause against this decree, at any time within six months after they shall respectively have attained the age of twenty one years."

On about February 28, 1843, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Peter M. Wright, as administrator of the estate of Matthew Wright, filed a complaint against Fleming Neighbours for payment of a debt of $75:

"Bedford County Virginia

Bedford County to wit - Peter M Wright administrator of Matthew Wright deceased, complains of Fleming Neighbours in custody &c of a plea of trespass on the case For this, that a certain Joseph Feather on the 20th day of August 1838, at the county aforesaid by his certain writing obligatory sealed with his seal the date whereof is the day & year aforesaid, promised to pay the said defendant, on or before the first day of January next after the date of the said writing obligatory in the sum of seventy Five dollars - And the said defendant after the making of the said writing obligatory, to wit on the 21st day of February 1839, at the county aforesaid & during the lifetime of the said Matthew Wright for value received of him to wit the amount of the said writing obligatory assigned the said writing obligatory to the said Matthew Wright and subscribed his name to the said assignment. And the said plaintiff avers, that after the expiration of the time appointed for the payment the sum of money specified in the said writing obligatory the same not having been paid to wit on the __ day of August 1841, a suit was instituted upon the said writing obligatory to recover the sum of money specified therein against the said Joseph Feather in the county court of ____ and on the __ day of November 1841 a Judgment was rendered in said suit against the said Joseph Feather for the said sum of $75- with interest the 1st day of January 1839 till payment ____ costs of suit amounting to $__ as by a transcript of the record & proceedings in that suit will appear and the said plaintiff avers, that upon said Judgment the said Matthew Wright during his lifetime, to wit on the 23rd day of November 1841, caused to be issued from the office of said court a writ of fieri facias directed to the Sheriff of said county commanding him that of the goods & chattels of the said Joseph Feather in his bailiwick he should cause to be made the debt interest & costs aforesaid on which writ the said Sheriff, by Thomas F Taylor his deputy made the following return "No effects found". The said Thomas F Taylor being then a legally constituted deputy for Thomas Fowler, who was then & there the Sheriff of said County of Roanoke And the said plaintiff saith that the said sum of money in said writing specified is still wholly unpaid, of all which the said defendant, heretofore to wit on the __ day of ____ at the said county of Bedford had notice. By reason whereof the said defendant became liable to pay the said Matthew Wright the said sum of money specified in the said writing obligatory with interest thereon and costs as aforesaid and being so liable the said defendant in consideration thereof during the lifetime of the said Matthew Wright to wit on the day & year last aforesaid at the county aforesaid undertook and promised the said Matthew Wright to pay him the same when thereto afterwards required

And for this also that the said defendant during the lifetime of the said Matthew Wright to wit on the said __ day of ____ was indebted to the said Matthew Wright in the sum of $__ for so much money before that time had and received by the said defendant to & for the use of the said Matthew Wright, and in the further

sum of $__ the ballance then & there found to be due from the said defendant to the said Matthew Wright on an account then & there stated between them. And being so indebted the said defendant on the day & year last aforesaid at the county aforesaid, undertook & promised the said Matthew Wright to pay him the said two last mentioned sums of money on request. Yet the said deft although often requested so to do, hath not paid the said several sums of money, or any or either of them or any part thereof either to the said Matthew Wright during his lifetime or to the said plaintiff admr as aforesaid since his death but to pay the same have wholly refused and the said defendant still refuses - To the damage of the plaintiff $200 & therefore he sues

____"

The 1843 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Nancy Wright with the following household:

Date	Names of Persons Owning Property	White Tythes	Blacks	Horses	No Carriages
May 18	Nancy Wright		1	1	

Carriages	Valuation of Do $ ____	Tax on Do $ Cts	Watches Description	Tax on Do $ Cts	Clocks & Descrip-tion Do $ Cts	Tax on Do $ Cts

Piannoes	Valuation $ Cts	Tax on Do $ Cts	Aggregate Amt Tax $ Cts

The 1843 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Nancy Wright (W) with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	Description or Situation of the Land
Nancy Wright (W)		126	On Bever Dam

Distance & Bearing from the Court House	Value of Land pr Acre	Sun added to the Land On acct of Buildings	Total Value of Land On a/c of Buildings	Amount of Tax on the Land	
20 SW	5.50			1.55	

The 1843 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed M & John Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate	No of Lots
M & John Wright	Bedford	Fee	

Description of Lots Agreeable to Plan of Town	Value of Lots Including Buildings	Sum Added To Lots on Account of Buildings	Yearly Rents	Name of Town	Value of Tax
			5.00		.07

The 1843 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Matthew Wright with the following property:

Name of Owners	Residence	Estate whether held in fee or Life	No of Acres	Description of the Land as to water Courses Mountains & Contiguous Tracts
Matthew Wright	Bedford	In fee	270	Stanton

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Vallue of Land Per Acre	Sum added on account of Buildings	Total Vallue of of Land & Buildings	Amount of Tax on ____ Tract at
20 NE	2.00	200.00	540.00	.81

Explanations of Alterations during
the Preceding Year for Whom Transferred

On April 24, 1843, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 11/294 a list of the property of Matthew Wright sold on October 19, 1841, was filed by Peter M. Wright showing proceeds of $1,844.91½:

"A List of property sold on the 19th day of October and days after in 1841 belonging to Matthew Wright deceased sold by Peter M Wright administrator on a credit until 19th day of October 1842, with the amount of each article bought and the persons name that bought it

Persons names	Property Sold &c	
Joseph P. Wright	One muly Steer	12.95
Peter M. Wright	1 do do	12.75
Joseph P. Wright	1 spotted bull	10.50
Peter M Wright	1 spotted mewly cow	9.75
Do Do	1 red horned cow	11.05
Nancy Wright	1 spotted steer	6.25
Wright H. Wright	1 horned heifer	7.15
Francis Johnson	1 Small Steer	4.25
Wright H. Wright	1 Small Spotted Cow	14.00
Nancy Wright	1 large cow	14.00
Do Do	3 first choice hogs	15.00
Do Do	3 second choice hogs	12.00
Wright H. Wright	2 third choice hogs	6.70
Daniel Brough	3 calves	4.60
Joseph P. Wright	10 geese first choice	2.50
Do Do	20 geese	4.00
Nancy Wright	5 Sheep first choice	8.25
Peter M. Wright	2 sheep	3.70
John A Wright	2 sheep	3.70
Peter M. Wright	5 sheep	7.25
Do Do	7 sheep last choice	9.80
Wright H Wright	1 Sow & 6 pigs	13.25
Francis Johnson	1 Stack clover seed hay	6.25
Nancy Wright	1 oat stack	20.15
Do Do	1 oat stack	16.00
Wilson Meador	1 oat stack	15.25
Thomas Melson	1 oat stack	14.75
Marquis D. Gray	1 oat stack	12.00
Do	1 oat stack	10.00

Joseph P. Wright	1 oat stack	7.25
Wright H. Wright	1 two horse harrow	3.00
Nancy Wright	1 bee stand first choice	1.80
Peter M. Wright	1 bee stand 7 loose queens	.45
Wright H. Wright	1 waggon &c	70.00
Ditto	1 pair strechers, single tree &c	2.05
Peter M. Wright	1 young bay horse	67.00
Ditto	1 grey horse	50.50
Anderson Neighbors	1 grey mare	42.00
Thomas Johnson	1 black mare	60.00
Peter M. Wright	1 yellow filley	25.00
Nancy Wright	20¾ barrels old corn	56.02
Francis Johnson	5 barrels new corn	11.75
Samuel P R Moomaw	20 barrels new corn	47.00
Ditto	20 barrels new corn	47.50
Peter M Wright	13 barrels new corn	30.81
Ditto	5⅓ barrels short corn	6.67
Nancy Wright	Crop of shucks	5.50
Grief R. Adams	10 bushels old wheat	10.00
William Saunders	10 bushels old wheat	10.00
John A Wright	20 bushels old wheat	20.20
Nancy Wright	100 bushels Do Do	100.00
Joseph P Wright	26 bushels old wheat	26.00
James Wright	34 bushels old wheat	34.34
Joseph P Wright	30 bushels new wheat	24.00
Wright H. Wright	10 bushels new wheat	8.60
James Wright	22½ bushels new wheat	18.90
Thomas Ferguson	10 bushels new wheat	9.40
Isaac James	20 bushels new wheat	17.40
Ditto	17½ bushels new wheat	15.40
Joseph P Wright	33½ bushels wheat	31.82½
Ditto	27 bushels new wheat	24.30
Jubal Jordan	20 bushels new wheat	17.80
Peter M. Wright	9-2/5 bushels flax seed	4.70
Wright H. Wright	1 log chain	2.75
Beverly Corley	1 spade	.90
Nancy Wright	1 spade	.90
Ditto	1 grubbing hoe	.57
Wright H Wright	1 ditto	.62½
John Compton	1 old turning plow	.67
Nancy Wright	1 hilling hoe	.55
Joseph P. Wright	1 single tree	.60
John A Wright	2 hilling hoes	.25
Amount brought forward		$1202.78½

Madison Ramsey	2 hilling hoes	.40
John A. Wright	1 iron wedge	.25
Nancy Wright	1 coulter, stock & clivis	1.00
John Compton	2 pieces log chain	1.00
John A. Wright	1 tongue chain	.12½
Wright H. Wright	1 turning plow & double tree	3.00
Joseph P. Wright	1 single tree	.37½
John A. Wright	1 clivis and pin	.06
Wright Wright	1 coulter and stock	.95
Ditto	2 pieces ladders	.40
John Compton	1 chain	.07
Nancy Wright	1 mowing sythe &c	1.25
John A. Wright	1 ditto	.90
John Compton	1 cythe and cradle	1.25
Nancy Wright	1 ditto	3.10
Grief R. Adams	1 plow mold	.51
Jubal Jordan	1 bull tongue	.10
John A. Wright	1 Single tree	.12½
Joel Franklin	1 ditto	.20
John A Wright	1 ditto	.16
Isaac James	1 plow mold	.20
John A. Wright	1 tongue clivis	.07
Charles Stephens	1 pole axe	.26
Joseph P. Wright	1 ditto	.50
Jubal Jordan	1 little chain	.03
Nancy Wright	1 clivis, pin & 2 rings	.37½
Ditto	1 Shovel plow and stock	1.10
John A. Wright	1 clivis and pin	.25
Ditto	1 shovel plow and stock	.76
Wright H. Wright	1 turning plow &c	2.10
Peter M. Wright	1 house of straw	3.50
Nancy Wright	1 pole axe	1.45
John A. Wright	2 empty hogsheads	2.75
Joseph P. Wright	2 ditto	2.70
John A. Wright	2 ditto	1.10
Joseph P. Wright	1 tar bucket	.66
Madison Ramsey	1 inch auger	.50
Thomas Melson	1¾ auger	.37½
Francis Johnson	1 fore plain	.50
John A. Wright	1 handsaw	.30
Ditto	iron square	.20
Nancy Wright	1 drawing knife	.30
Ditto	1 sand sieve	.75
Isaac James	1 boulster, pair hounds & axeltree	1.45

Wright H. Wright	3 empty hogsheads	.80
Joseph P. Wright	2 hay rakes	.30
Wright H. Wright	1 cutting knife and box	1.55
Nancy Wright	1 lot of flax	.15
David Fraling	The lower mow hay	21.25
Nancy Wright	The upper mow hay	40.00
Francis Johnson	1 mow seed hay	4.05
Peter M. Wright	1 lot straw under hay	.01
Nancy Wright	1 mow rye straw	.20
James Wright	1 pen straw	.65
Wright H. Wright	1 wheat fan	6.00
Ditto	1 blind bridle	.40
Ditto	1 Ditto	.30
Ditto	1 Ditto	.50
Francis Johnson	1 hook and screw	.05
John A. Wright	1 hay fork	.50
Nancy Wright	1 ditto	.25
Daniel Frailing	1 ditto	.60
Joseph P. Wright	1 mow hay	5.25
Wright H. Wright	1 horse collar	1.00
Wright H Wright	1 horse collar	1.00
Ditto	1 ditto	.01
Ditto	1 pair hind gear	2.15
Ditto	1 Ditto	2.25
Ditto	1 back board	.26
Ditto	1 pair haims	.60
Ditto	1 hip strap	.15
Ditto	1 pair traces	1.10
Francis Johnson	1 old tyre	1.35
Nancy Wright	1 pair steelyards	1.55
John A Wright	1 cythe blade	.05
Daniel Fraling	1 boar	4.50
Amount brought forward		$1338.97
Peter M. Wright	2 Small barrows	3.00
Ditto	2 ditto	2.90
Ditto	1 Sow, 5 pigs wild	.50
Nancy Wright	1 Sow in pen	4.35
Edward Frailing	1 Sow Sirray	3.80
Peter M. Wright	The whole crop top fodder	1.00
Nancy Wright	154 bushels sweet potatoes	38.50
Ditto	1 bay mare Fan	50.00
Roland Wheeler	1 oat stack	11.30
Stephen C. Hurt	1 oat stack	10.50
Andrew Blankinship	½ fodder stack	.90

Peter M. Wright	½ ditto	2.30
Ditto	½ ditto	2.25
Solomon Bassam	1 feather bed	6.00
Julia Compton	1 ditto	4.00
Solomon Bassam	1 ditto	3.60
Milley Wright	1 ditto	2.25
Do Do	1 bedstead, cord and mat	2.25
Solomon Bassam	1 ditto	1.60
Julia Compton	1 ditto	1.35
Peter M. Wright	1 bedstead and cord	1.10
Ditto	ditto	1.15
Julia Compton	1 walnut bureau	8.55
Nancy Wright	1 wooden clock & case	2.00
Peter M. Wright	1 folding table	6.10
Nancy Wright	1 ditto	3.50
Abijah Douglas	1 ditto	5.00
Milley Wright	1 dressing table	3.50
Peter M. Wright	1 square table	1.00
Nancy Wright	1 Xleg pine table	.12
Peter M. Wright	1 Square candle stand	1.50
Ditto	1 round ditto	.95
James Wright	1 looking glass	1.00
Milley Wright	1 ditto	1.50
Wilson Meador	1 ditto	.37½
Francis Johnson	1 Slate	.30
Joseph P. Wright	1 pair brass candlesticks	.80
Ditto	1 walnut cupboard	11.25
Abijah Douglas	1 X Cut Saw	.50
Nancy Wright	1 pair and irons	.75
Joseph P. Wright	1 pair ditto	.50
Ditto	1½ pair or 3 irons	.25
Nancy Wright	1 tea kittle	.50
Isaac James	2 ditto	.40
Wilson Meador	1 mans saddle	3.55
Daniel Frailing	1 womans Saddle	.30
Nancy Wright	1 pair Saddle bags	3.00
Wilson Meador	1 halter chain, 2 collars	.80
Joseph Mayse	1 axe	.26
Julia Compton	1 pair waful irons	.30
Solomon Bassam	1 water pail	.37½
Joseph P Wright	1 mowing blade	.85
Francis Johnson	1 Steel trap	.50
Peter M. Wright	1 mowing Anvil	.30
Ditto	1 lot of old irons	2.35

Ditto	2 old Sythes & 2 whetstones	.25
Francis Johnson	1 pine chest	2.25
Ditto	1 walnut chest	1.25
Nancy Wright	1 pine box	.50
Julia Compton	1 ditto	.50
Nancy Wright	1 cow bell & collar	1.10
Solomon Bassam	1 jack plane	.25
Peer M. Wright	1 moulding plane	.15
Solomon Bassam	1 old shot gun	1.15
Peter M. Wright	1 book	.30
Ditto	1 book	.20
Wilson Meador	1 history of Indians	.90
Milley Wright	3 books	1.05
Milley Wright	3 books	1.05
Wilson Meador	1 book	.25
Joseph P. Wright	1 bible	.37½
Wilson Meador	2 books	.09
Francis Johnson	2 books	.06
Richard M. Wills	1 book	.10
Wilson Meador	1 book	.07
Peter M. Wright	1 book	.37½
Ditto	1 book	.04
John B. Pate	1 book	.06
Joseph P. Wright	1 atless to geography	.04
Amount brought forward		$1568.96
Peter M. Wright	1 lot old books	.07
George Overstreet	4 bushels wheat	3.60
George Holdron	28½ bushels new wheat	23.08
Peter M. Wright	1 weaver's sley	.39
Wilson Meador	1 ditto	.39½
Peter M. Wright	1 ditto	.26
Ditto	1 ditto	.26
Wilson Meador	1 ditto	.31
Abijah Douglas	1 mattock	1.02
Charles Hogan	9½ bushels oats	3.14
Francis Johnson	1 pair stilyards	.75
Wilson Meador	1 dung fork	.52
Peter M. Wright	1 Small lot straw	.03
Ditto	1 lot tail ends	.88
Nancy Wright	1 pickling tub	.50
Ditto	1 measuring tub	.35
Ditto	2 cider barrels	1.00
Joseph P. Wright	1 fat stand	.75
Nancy Wright	2 Cider casks	1.10

Ditto	2 ditto	1.25
Peter M. Wright	1 Sheepskin	.36
Nancy Wright	1 pot and hooks	1.50
Ditto	1 pot	.50
Ditto	4 pots	2.50
Solomon Bassam	1 biscuit baker & lid	.08
Nancy Wright	1 Oven and lid	.75
Ditto	1 biscuit baker and lid	.50
Ditto	1 bred hoe	.06
Solomon Bassam	1 oven	.06
Nancy Wright	1 oven and lid	.50
Ditto	1 pot and 2 barrels	.62½
Ditto	1 bedtray and Sifter	.25
Ditto	2 frying pans	.30½
Ditto	1 meal tub	.12½
Wright H. Wright	1 reephook	.02
Nancy Wright	iron cutter	.30
Peter M. Wright	1 Small skillet	.25
Nancy Wright	1 Spice mortar	.30
Francis Johnson	1 large pot	2.50
Nancy Wright	2 and irons	.65
Ditto	1 coffee mill	.25
Ditto	Shovel, tongs, pan handle	.80
Ditto	Do do do	.50
Ditto	4 washing tubs	.60
Ditto	2 barrels	.37½
Ditto	2 tubs	.75
Ditto	2 barrels	.06
Wilson Meador	1 flax wheel	1.00
Joseph P. Wright	1 ditto	.07
Nancy Wright	2 cotton wheels	.75
Joseph Mayse	1 ditto	1.50
Nancy Wright	Spooling frames & baners	.50
Ditto	1 lot Sack bags	.50
Peter M. Wright	1 water bucket	.25
Joseph P. Wright	1 water bucket	.25
Wright H. Wright	1 lot bottles	.13
Julia Compton	2 tea pots	.25
Wright H. Wright	1 Small coffee pot	.02
Peter M. Wright	a lot knives, forks &c	.20
Julia Compton	4 dishes	.50
Peter M. Wright	1 ditto	.41
Julia Compton	1 ditto	.41
Ditto	1 large spoon	.06

Wilson Meador	1 pitcher and 3 Saucers	.06
Ditto	1 pitcher	.06
Richard M. Wells	7 glass	.18
Julia Compton	7 Saucers	.10
Peter M. Wright	8 ditto	.15
Wilson Meador	12 cups	.41
Julia Compton	1 water	.02
Peter M. Wright	1 brass kettle, 1 pair &c	1.30
Nancy Wright	1 jar	.50
Francis Johnson	11¼ pounds tallow	1.12½
Peter M. Wright	1 tin pan	.07
Wright H. Wright	1 ditto	.01
Milley Wright	2 frames	.50
Ditto	1 pair martingills	.71
Joseph P. Wright	1 bridle	.26
Amount brought forward		$1636.32
Peter M. Wright	1 bridle	.07
Julia Compton	1 ditto	.56
Nancy Wright	1 pair sheep shears	.12
Wright H. Wright	1 french bedstead	3.30
Milley Wright	1 oil cloth	1.55
Francis Johnson	1 ditto	1.75
Ditto	1 blanket	2.00
Joseph P. Wright	1 ditto	1.12
Francis Johnson	1 yarn cover lid	8.00
George Overstreet	1 ditto	7.00
Francis Johnson	1 ditto	9.00
Wilson Meador	1 Cotton cover lid	1.50
Julia Compton	1 ditto	2.00
Richard M. Wells	1 ditto	3.85
Silas Dearen	1 ditto	3.55
Francis Johnson	1 ditto	4.65
George Overstreet	1 bed quilt	1.65
Milley Wright	1 ditto	3.05
George Overstreet	1 ditto	1.40
Julia Compton	1 Sheet	1.00
Silas Dearen	7-3/4 yards of cloth	1.60
Ditto	2 ditto	.36
Ditto	3 ditto	.63
Wilson Meador	1 yarn cover lid	2.60
Julia Compton	1 bed quilt	1.30
Solomon Bassam	1 ditto	1.40
Ditto	1 ditto	.80
Joseph P. Wright	1 ditto	.75

Milley Wright	1 bunch of wool	.38
Joseph P. Wright	6 winsor chairs	6.00
Nancy Wright	1 lot split bottom chairs	3.00
Ditto	2 jugs	1.00
Francis Johnson	1 ditto	.50
Joseph P. Wright	1 ditto	.50
Ditto	2 bushels plaster	1.40
Peter M. Wright	194 lbs. plaster in rock	1.12½
Ditto	1 cotton jin	.01
Nancy Wright	1 pot rack	.50
Joseph P. Wright	1 ditto	.50
Nancy Wright	2 baskets	.25
Julia Compton	1 lot of leather	1.25
Peter M. Wright	1194 feet 5/8 plank	8.95½
Ditto	92 feet rodny(?) plank	.46
Ditto	1 hammer	.46
Nancy Wright	1 Small hackle	.06
Wilson Meador	1 Saddle blanket	.75
Wright H. Wright	1 ditto	.38
Joseph P. Wright	1 half bushel	.50
Nancy Wright	1 bucket	.12½
Julia Compton	1 pair temples	.27
Daniel Frailing	2 sleys and harness	1.03
Nancy Wright	1 trippet and 1 pot	.38
Ditto	2 umbrellas	.50
Ditto	40 pounds wool rolls	20.00
Ditto	a parcel broke flax	1.00
Ditto	1 flax wheel	2.00
Ditto	1 womans saddle	10.00
Ditto	1 basket and spools	.50
Ditto	1 loom & gear	6.00
Ditto	2 feather beds, under beds, Steads & furniture	35.00
Ditto	1 bureau	8.00
Ditto	6 bails cotton	6.75
Ditto	3 trunks	1.00
Ditto	1 grind Stone	1.50
Ditto	1 Safe & contents, 2 buckets, 3 books 2 coffee pots &c	20.00
		$1844.91½

Peter M. Wright
administrator

At a Court held for Bedford County the 24th day of April 1843.

This list of sales of the estate of Matthew Wright deceased, was produced in Court and ordered to be recorded.

Teste
Ro. C. Mitchell CBC"

On July 24, 1843, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 28/162 commissioners were appointed to settle the account of Peter M. Wright as administrator of the estate of Matthew Wright:

"Ordered that Thomas Mead and Stephen C. Hurt or either of them, being first sworn, state and settle the account current of the estate of Matthew Wright Deceased with Peter M. Wright his administrator, and make report to Court."

On November 7, 1843, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Peter M. Wright, as commissioner, filed his report of the sale of the slaves of the estate of Matthew Wright:

"Agreeable to a decree of the County Court of Bedford in the case of Wright's and others against Wright at the October term 1842, the undersigned who was Appointed a Commissioner to sell the Slaves named in said suit and in compliance therewith after having advertised the time & place according to the terms of the said decree, on the 5th day of January 1843 I proceeded to sell to the highest bidder at publick auction the four following slaves to wit Anda, Charlotte, John and William Wilson Meador, was the highest bidder and the Purchaser of Anda at six hundred dollars - Joseph P. Wright was the highest bidder & the purchaser of Charlotte at three hundred and twelve dollars George Overstreet was the highest bidder and the purchaser of John at three hundred and one dollars Francis Johnson was the highest bidder and the purchaser of William at one hundred and forty nine dollars and fifty cents the above Negroes were sold on twelve months credit for which I took bonds with good Security payable to myself - I herewith ask leave to submit the above proceedings to the Honerable Court of Bedford

Peter M. Wright Comr
November 7th 1843"

On February 26, 1844, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers the heirs of Matthew Wright filed a suit for the sale of four slaves:

"Suit to Sell the slaves of the Est of Matthew Wright deceased - four slaves - Andy Charlotte John William Valentine G. Camper and Jane his wife Indiana - Peter M. Wright Wilson Meador & Polly his wife, Joseph P Wright, John Wright defts

Milly Wright, Francis Johnson and Nancy his wife, John Compton & Lydia his wife Nancy Jane Compton Matthew M Compton and Henry G Compton infant children of Isaiah & Julia Compton formerly Julia Wright - Wright H Wright

Peter M Wright to be appointed Commissioner to Sell - upon a credit of 12 months"

This record identifies the family of family of Matthew Wright as follows:

Children:

1) Jane (Wright) Camper and her husband Valentine G. Camper, then residing in Indiana,
2) Peter M. Wright,
3) Polly (Wright) Meador and her husband Wilson Meador,
4) Joseph P. Wright,
5) John Wright,
6) Milly Wright,
7) Nancy (Wright) Johnson and her husband Francis Johnson,
8) Lydia (Wright) Compton and her husband John Compton,
9) Julia (Wright) Compton, then deceased, and her husband Isaiah Compton,
    a) Jane Compton, daughter of Julia (Wright) Compton,
    b) Matthew M. Compton, son of Julia (Wright) Compton,
    c) Henry G. Compton, son of Julia (Wright) Compton, and
10) Wright H. Wright.

In February 1844 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 28/244 Peter M. Wright was ordered to collect the proceeds of the sale of the slaves of the estate of Matthew Wright and report back to court:

"Wright &c. v Wright &c. Chy: This day this cause came on to be further heard on the papers formerly read, and the report of Peter M. Wright the Commissioner

appointed to sell the slaves in the proceedings mentioned, to which there was no exception and was argued by Counsel. Upon consideration whereof, the Court doth adjudge, order, and decree, that the said Commissioner do proceed to collect the purchase money arising from said slaves as the same becomes due, and when so collected that he report his proceedings to this Court in order to a final decree."

The 1844 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Nancy Wright with the following household:

date of receiving list	Persons Chargeable with tax	White males above 16 yrs	Slaves above 12 yrs of age	Horses &c	No of 4 wheel pleasure carriages & Value
Mch 6	Nancy Wright		1	1	

No. of Carryalls & Value	No. of 2 wheel Carriages & Value		Silver Watches	Clocks @ 50¢	Clocks @ 25¢	
					1	

Pianos & Value	Gold & Silver Plates	attorneys paying a specific & amt. of tax	Physicians & surgeons paying a specific tax & amt.	Amount of interest & profits on moneys loaned out or on bonds acquired by in profit

Total amount of Tax	
Dollars	Cents
	.78(?)

The 1844 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Nancy Wright widow with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple or life &c	No of Acres	Descriptions of the land as to Water Courses, Mountains and contiguous Tracts
Nancy Wright widow	Bedford	life	126	On Beaverdam Cr.

Distance & bearing from the court house	Value of Land P Acre including buildings	Sum ___ ___ the Land on acct of buildings	Total Value of the land & buildings	___	Explanations of altera-tions during the preceding especially from whom transferred
20 W	8.17	400	1029.42	1.29	

The 1844 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed M & John Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate	No of each lot in the town	Name of Town
M & John Wright	Bedford	fee		

Value of buildings	Value of Lots including buildings	Yearly acct of of Lots	Amount of Tax on Lots at the legal rate
		5.00	.01

On about May 30, 1844, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Peter M. Wright, as administrator of the estate of Matthew Wright, filed a complaint against Samuel West for payment of a debt of $87.63:

"In the County Court of Bedford
Bedford County to Wit

Peter M Wright - administrator of Matthew Wright deceased Plaintiff complains of Samuel West defendant in custody &c of a plea of debt that he render unto him the sum of Eighty Seven dollars and Sixty three cents which he from him unjustly detains: For that whereas the said defendant in the life time of the Plaintiffs intestate on the 3rd day of June 1840 at the Parish of ____ and county aforesaid made his certain writing obligatory sealed with his seal and to the court now here shewn the date whereof is the same day & year aforesaid Whereby he promised and obliged himself his heirs &c to pay or cause to be paid unto the said Matthew Wright or assigns the just and full Sum of Eighty Seven dollars & 63 cents current money of Virginia for value received, to be paid to the Said Matthew Wright whenever he the Said defendant should be thereto afterwards requested

Nevertheless the said defendant although often requested has not paid the said sum of eighty Seven dollars and Sixty three cents or any part thereof iether to the said Matthew Wright in his life time or to the Said Plaintiff since his death but the same or any part thereof to pay either to the said Matthew Wright in his life time or to the said Plaintiff since his death he has hitherto failed and refused and still fails and refuses to pay the same to the said Plaintiff to the damage of the Plaintiff $20 and therefore he brings his Suit &c

Wingfield & Johnson pq"

On May 30, 1844, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers a summons was issued against Samuel West to answer the complaint of Peter M. Wright, as administrator of the estate of Matthew Wright, for payment of a debt of $87.63:

"The Commonwealth of Virginia, To the Sheriff of Bedford County, Greeting:

We command you to take Samuel West if he be found within your bailiwick, and him safely keep, so that you have his body before the Justices of our County Court of Bedford, at the Courthouse thereof, on the fourth Monday in August next, to answer Peter M Wright administrator of Matthew Wright Deceased) of a plea of debt for Eighty seven dollars and sixty three cents Damage Twenty Dollars And have then there this writ. Witness, Robert C. Mitchell, Clerk of our said Court, the 30th day of May 1844, in the 68th year of our Independence.

Ro. C. Mitchell"

In November 1844 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 28/365 Charles L. Cobbs was appointed commissioner to sell the slaves of the estate of Matthew Wright and report back to court:

> "Wright v Wright &c Chy. By consent of the parties by their counsel the Court without at present deciding any of the points in Controversy between the parties doth adjudge, order and decree that Charles L. Cobbs who is hereby appointed a commissioner for the purpose, do after having previously advertised the time, place and terms of sale for one month in some newspaper printed in the town of Lynchburg and at the front door of the Courthouse of this County on some court day expose to sale by way of public auction on a credit of twelve months taking from the purchasers respectively, bonds with good personal security for the payment of the purchase money the slaves in the bill mentioned, and the issue of the females of them if any born since the institution of this suit and report to the Court his proceedings hereupon in order to a final decree."

The 1845 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Nancy Wright with the following household:

Persons Chargeable With tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses, mules, &c
Nancy Wright	0	1	2	2

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness and value	Stages, and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches	Patent lever or lepine silver watches

Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50	Attorneys paying specific tax and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax
	1				

Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase including interest, profits or dividends on state or corporat'n bonds	Am't of monied income over $400, received or salaries or fees of office	Bridges - am't of yearly rent or value over $100

Ferries - am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses, and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
		.97

The 1845 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Nancy Wright Widow with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple for life &c	No. of Acres	Descriptions of the land as to Water Courses, ____ ____ _____
Nancy Wright Widow	Bedford	dower	126	On Beaverdam Cr.

Distance & bearing from the court house	Value of land per acre, including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land & buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at legal rate	Explanations of alterations during the ____ especially from whom transferred
20 W	8.17	400	1029.42	1.03	

The 1845 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed M & John Wright with the following property:

Name Of Owners	Residence	Estate whether in fee simple, for life, &c.	No. of each lot in the Town	Name of Town
M & John Wright				

Value of buildings	Value of lots including buildings	Yearly rent of Lots	Amount of Tax on lots at the legal rate

On March 24, 1845, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 12/25 and W.B. 12/46 an accounting for the estate of Matthew Wright was filed:

"A Statement and settlement of the account current of the estate of Matthew Wright Deceased with Peter M Wright his administrator Peter M. Wright

To the Estate of Matthew Wright Deceased		Dr
1841 October 19th To Cash on hand		14.00
1842 October 19th " Amount of sales this day due		1844.91½
		1858.91½
Cr. By amount of payment from 19th October 1841 till 19th September 1843		285.77
		1573.14½
To Interest on $1573.14 from 19th October 1842 till 19th Sept 1843	86.52	
" William Gishes bond due estate 10th Sept 1840		233.00
" Interest till 19th September 1843	$28.29	
" William Gishes bond due 27th May 1841		200.00
" Interest till 19th September 1843	15.73	
" William Gishes bond due 6th April 1840		640.00
" Interest till 19th September 1843	94.18	
" Joseph P. Wright's bond due estate 20th July 1841		80.00
" Interest till 19th September 1843	5.58	
" Isaiah Comton's bond due 8th April 1841		37.91
" Interest till 19th September 1843	5.56	
" Samuel West bond due 3d June 1840		87.63

" Interest till 19th September 1843	17.32	
" Samuel Stone's bond due 22d January 1840	$300.00	
" Interest till 26th February 1841	19.70	
	319.70	
Cr. endorsed on bond	32.50	287.20
" Interest on $287.20 till 19th September 1843	44.18	
" Isaiah Comton's bond due 10th November 1840		331.50
" Interest till 19" September 1843	56.85	
" Isaiah Compton's bond due 21st December 1840		62.83
" Interest till 19th September 1843	10.34	
" Isaiah Compton's bond due 1st February 1840	$188.50	
" Interest till 31st May 1841	15.08	
	203.58	
Cr endorsed on the bond $120 & $13	133.00	70.58
" Interest on $70 till 19th September 1843	9.74	
" James M. Nemoes bond due 24th April 1841		18.00
" Interest till 19th September 1843	2.59	
" John A. Wright settlement due 23d November 1841		203.27
" Interest till 19th September 1843	22.22	
" Dixon settlement due 20th July 1842		4.00
Interest on same till 19th September 1843	.27	
" Wright H. Wright's account due 19th September 1843		.44
" Account against Isaiah Compton 19th October 1842		
12½ bushels prime wheat	$12.50	
20 bushels oates at 33 cts per bushel	6.60	19.10
" Interest on Same till 19th September 1843	1.05	3848.60
	$400.42	
Cr. By this sum charged by Thos Mead as Commissioner to settle this foregoing account for 1½ days service		3.00
		3845.60
To Amount of Interest on foregoing debts		400.42
		4246.02
By balance due the estate 19th September 1843		4246.02

Peter M. Wright administrator of Matthew Wright Deceased credited by the following list of payments for the estate

		Cr.
1841 Oct 19th	By this sum paid Stephen C. Hurt as Clerk of sale	1.00
	paid Sheriff of Franklin 5 years land tax	1.76
" Decr 29th	" paid Daniel Brugh his account income to	6.07
1842 Feby 2"	" paid James Wright his account	5.00
" March 29th	" paid Stephen C. Hurt assee of Wm McGeorg note and interest	10.22
" July 16th	" paid Silas Deeren an appraiser 1½ days	1.50

" " 27th	" paid Wm Johnson an appraiser 2 days	2.00
" Sept "	" paid Peter M Wrights individual account including the larger part of funeral expenses	25.55
" Oct. 3d	" paid Henry W. Moseley part of medical account	50.00
		103.10

Interest on $103.10 till 19th October 1843 it being paid before the sale money became due 6.18

1842 Oct 27th	By this sum paid Wm Gish his account sworn to	5.10
" Nov 14th	" paid Matthew Pate plank & admitted account sworn to	9.95
" " "	" do as an appraises &c 3 days	3.00
Dec 3d	" paid Sheriff his cost for aresting slave of Est. &c	2.25
" " "	" Do Sheriff taxes &c against the Est for 1842	4.37
" " "	" paid Clerk of Bedford ticket for administration &c	1.00
1843 Jany 23d	" paid Editors of Republican advertising time of sale of negroes	1.25
" " "	" paid Henry W Moseley balance of his medical acct	100.00
" Feby 25th	" " Wm Johnson commr to divide lands	10.00
" March 9th	" " Stephen C. Hurt & Co store account sworne to	4.19
" " 25th	" " George Overstreet Commr to divide lands	10.00
" April 1st	" " Edmond McGeorge Commr &c to divide lands	14.00
" July 8th	" " Sheriff Franklin land tax for 1842	.68
" Augst 14th	" " Wilson Meador Stephen C. Hurt's account which had been paid by Medor against Est	1.57
" " 22d	" paid John Huddlesons account sworne to	.90
" Sept 2d	" paid Clerks tickets in regard to admr &c	6.22
" " "	" paid Sheriff of Bedford tickets against admr	1.26
" " "	" paid Commissioners tickett for transfering to estate	.73
		$285.77

A List of debts due the estate of Matthew Wright Deceased and not entered in the within setled accounts some of them are in suit and some belived to be insolvent and none collected as of the date of the annexed settlement

William Hixes bond due 25th November 1840 (in suit) this sum with a Cr. endorsed 26th February 1841 for $50	100.00
William McDermed and Thomas Lunsford's bond dated 16th September 1839 and due three months after date	500.00
With a Cr. endorsed 11th March 1841 for $62.00	
And a further Cr. at same date	8.00

William McDermed bond due 16th September 1839 for		30.00
and a Cr. endorsed 19th April 1840 for $15.37 which Cr is belived should have been given as of the date of the bond and the ballance of $14.63 to beare interest from 19th April 1840		
Lorenzo D Preston bond due 25th January 1841 for		5.56
Samuel Arringtons and Polley Phelps bond due 1st August 1840		32.90
Cr endorsed 15th March 1841 of $10 no suit		
Peter Feathers' bond due 23d of August 1838 in suit		5.82
Jubal Barton and John Bartons' bond due 1st January 1842 for		30.00
Cr By receipt of Admnr 7th February 1842 $26.67 in suit		
David Frailing account due 9th February 1842		7.42
Jonathan Hopkins bond due 8 November 1837		7.50
With a credit endorsed 6th January 1838 of $3.30		
The amount of the sales of negroes under decree of Court and the lines before the sale and cost attending said sale have not been taken in the within account The ballance due the estate of Matthew Wright Deceased on the 19th September 1843 amounts of principal	$3845.60	
Interes due the estate	400.42	
	4246.02	
Deduct administrators Commissions on $4534.79 at 6 per cent	272.08	
	3973.94	
The widow of Matthew Wright is entitled to one third	1324.64	
	2649.30	

It is understood that seven of the distributees of Matthew Wright during his life had received from him in lands or money each $300. and each in other property $100 making in the whole $400. and that Wright H Wright had received $82 and that Jane Camper had received in all $420 which would show that Wright H Wright was lacking $315 to be equal and that Milley Wright was lacking $400. to be equal with the others. Then deducting the sum of

$715 to equalise those who should		715.00
received that sum first and then an equal share	$1934.30	

in the balance of The distributive share of nine legatees (after Wright H Wright and Milley Wright have been made equal to the first seven legatees will be $195.43 as of the 19th of September 1843 which should be distributed within a reasonable time or else beare interes from that date untill within a reasonable time of the distribution. The settlement as stated in the foregoing account of Matthew Wright Deceased estate and the annexed scale of distribution is herewith respectfully submitted to the County Court of Bedford for its further action it is deemed by your Commissioner to be correct and propper between the parties interested, excepting Jane Camper the 10th

legatee whoes distributive share in the 19th of September 1843 would be $175.43 she having received heretofore $20.00 more than any of the other distributees all of which is belived to be correct so far as your Commissioner has been able to lerne and after being duly sworn. Given under my hand this 16th April 1844.

Thos Mead Commisioner

At a Court held for Bedford County the 24th day of March 1845.

This account current of the estate of Matthew Wright Deceased with Peter M. Wright his administrator was produced in Court and ordered to lie till the next term for exceptions. And at a Court held for said County the 28th day of April 1845 no exceptions having been taken to said account the same was ordered to be recorded.

Teste"

On about June 23, 1845, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers the court ordered Peter M. Wright to collect the proceeds of the sale of the slaves of the estate of Matthew Wright and to distribute the proceeds to the heirs:

"Wright & al)
vs) Decree
Wright &c)

This day this Cause Came on to be finally heard on the papers formerly read and the report of the Commissioner Peter M Wright appointed by a decretal order of this Court on the 26 February 1844 to Collect the purchase money for which the slaves in the bill and proceedings mentioned were sold. On consideration whereof the Court doth adjudge order and decree that the said Commissioners do after paying the costs of this proceeding and retaining to himself legal Commissions on the money collected do divide the residue of the Money into ten equal parts, one part whereof he is to retain to himself - another part thereof to retain to himself as Guardian of Nancy J. Matthew M and Henry G Compton infant Children of Isaiah and Julia Compton another part thereof - pay to Joseph P. Wright another part thereof, pay to John A. Wright another part thereof, pay to Wright H. Wright another part thereof pay to Milly Wright another part thereof, pay to Valentine G. Camper and Jane his wife another part thereof pay to Wilson Meador and Polly his wife another part thereof pay to Francis Johnson and Nancy his wife another part thereof and pay to John Compton and Lydia his wife and liberty is reserved to the infant defendants to show Cause if any they can against this decree at any time after they shall have respectively attained the age of twenty one years"

The same order was filed in June 1845 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 28/741.

On about June 23, 1845, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Peter M. Wright reported to the court that he had the proceeds on hand from the sale of the slaves of the estate of Matthew Wright:

> "Agreable to a decree of the County Court of Bedford pronounced at the February term 1844 in the Case of Wright &c vs Wright &c the undersigned who was appointed a Commissioner to collect the money for which the Slaves Anda Charlotte and John & William sold pursuant to a decree rendered in the same case on the 24th Octo 1842 respectfully reports to the Court that he has the money now in his hands ready for distribution
>
> 1845 June 23rd Peter M. Wright"

In about September 1845 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Peter M. Wright, as administrator of the estate of Matthew Wright, filed a complaint against Samuel Stoner, John Stoner, and William McDermed for payment of a debt of $300:

> "In the County Court of Bedford
>
> Bedford County to Wit - Peter M. Wright administrator of Matthew Wright deceased Plaintiff complains of Samuel Stoner, John Stoner and William McDermed defendants in custody &c of a plea of debt that they render unto him the sum of Three hundred dollars which they unjustly detain from him For that whereas the said defendants by the names of Samuel Stoner, John Stoner and Wm M Dermed on the 22nd day of January 1840 made thier certain writing obligatory sealed with their seals and to the Court now here shewn the date whereof is the same day & year last aforesaid whereby for value Recd they and each of them promised, and bound themselves their heirs and assigns to pay unto Mathew Wright the Just and full sum of Three hundred dollars the same to be returned in Silver if required to be paid to the said Mathew Wright whenever they the Said defendants should be thereto afterwards required. Nevertheless the said defendants nor either of them although often requested did not pay the said sum of three hundred dollars to the said Mathew Wright in his life time nor have they or either of them paid the same to the said Plaintiff since his death, but the same or any part thereof to pay either to the said Matthew Wright in his life time or to the said Plaintiff, since his death they and each of them have hitherto failed and refused and still fail and refuse to pay the same to the damage of the Plaintiff $20 and therefore he brings his suit &c and the Pltff brings into court here the letters of administration on the estate of the said Matthew Wright decd

whereby it appears that he is the duly appointed administrator of the said Matthew Wright decd.

Johnson pq

. . . .

1845 Sept.
Jud. Confessed by John Stoner

Dec Rules abated as to the other Defts"

In September 1845 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 29/36 John Stoner confessed judgment in the sum of $300:

"Bedford Clerks Office Sept 10th 1845

Peter M. Wright adm. of Matthew Wright		)
Decd.	Plff.	)
against		) In Debt
Samuel Stoner John Stoner & William		)
McDermed	Defts	)

The defendant John Stoner being in custody of the Sheriff of this County (having been surrendered by his special bail) came into the office and confessed judgment in favour of the plaintiff for the sum of three hundred dollars with legal Interest thereon from the 22nd day of January 1840 till paid and the costs. Subject to a credit of $32.50 as of 26th February 1841 and also of $200. as of 29th September 1843. The attorney for the plaintiff appeared in person and declined to pray the deft. John Stoner in custody."

The 1846 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Nancy Wright with the following household:

Persons Chargeable With tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses, mules, &c
Nancy Wright		1	2	2

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness and value	Stages, and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches	Patent lever or lepine silver watches

Other watches	Mettalic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50	Attorneys paying specific tax and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax
		1				

Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase including interest, profits or dividends on state or corporat'n bonds	Am't of monied income over $400, received or salaries or fees of office	Bridges - am't of yearly rent or value over $100

Ferries - am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses, and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
		.97

The 1846 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Nancy Wright with the following property:

Name Of Owner	Residence	Estate, whether held in fee simple for life &c	No. of Acres	Descriptions of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Nancy Wright	Bedford	dower	126	On Beaverdam Cr

Distance & bearing from the court-house	Value of land per acre, including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land & buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate	Explanations of altera-tions during the preced-ing year, especially from whom transferred
20 W	8.17	400	1029.42	1.03	

The 1846 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed M & John Wright with the following property:

Name Of Owners	Residence	Estate, whether in fee simple, life, &c.	No. of each Town Lot	Name of the Town
M & John Wright	Bedford	fee		Hardysville

Value of buildings	Value of lots, including buildings	Yearly rent of Lots	Amount of Tax at the legal rate
1 Lot	5.00		.01

The 1847 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Nancy Wright with the following household:

Persons Chargeable With tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses, mules, &c
Nancy Wright		2	3	2

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness and value	Stages, and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches	Patent lever or lepine silver watches

Other watches	Mettalic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50	Attorneys paying specific tax and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax
		1				

Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase including interest, profits or dividends on state or corporat'n bonds	Am't of monied income over $400, received or salaries or fees of office	Bridges - am't of yearly rent or value over $100

Ferries - am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses, and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
		1.29

The 1847 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Nancy Wright with the following property:

Name Of Owner	Residence	Estate, whether held in fee simple for life &c	No. of Acres	Descriptions of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Nancy Wright	Bedford	dower	126	On Beaverdam Cr

Distance & bearing from the court-house	Value of land per acre, including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land & buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate	Explanations of alterations during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred
20 W	8.17	400	1029.42	1.03	

The 1847 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed M & John Wright with the following property:

Name Of Owners	Residence	Estate	No. of each lot in the Town	Name of the Town
M & John Wright				

Value of buildings	Value of lots, including buildings	Yearly rent of Lots	Amount of Tax on lots

In May 1847 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 29/383 Thomas Mead was appointed to settle the account of Peter M. Wright as administrator of the estate of Matthew Wright:

> "Ordered that Thomas Mead being first sworn for the purpose state and settle the account current of the estate of Matthew Wright deceased with Peter M. Wright his adm. and make report to Court."

On June 29, 1847, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 12/452 Peter M. Wright filed a further accounting for the estate of Matthew Wright for the period until January 19, 1846:

> "A Statement and settlement of the account of the estate of Matthew Wright Decd. with Peter M Wright his administrator from 19th Sept. 1843 till 19th Sept 1843

Peter M Wright		Dr
To the Estate of Matthew Wright Decd.		
To debt against Wm McDermed & Thos Lunsford with		
interest & cost till 6th April 1844		$565.77
Also Cost against Thos Lunsford		7.65
		573.42
Interest till 19th September 1845		49.97
		623.39
" Balance of debt against Wm McDermed as per Constable's		
Statement 7th June 1845	$18.65	
& Interest till 19th Sept. 1845	.30	18.95
" Lorenzo D Preston's bond due 25th Jany 1841 for $5.56		
with a Cr. of 50 cts & interest till 19th Sept 1845		6.46
" Samuel Arrington's and Polly Philpses bond as received		
27" January 1845 as per attorney's statement	$35.00	
and interest till 19th Sept. 1845	1.35	36.35
" Bond on Peter Feathers due 27nd August 1838 $5.82 &		
Interest till 29th Sept 1845 $2.46		8.28
" Bond on Jubal Barton & John Barton paid in part the		
7th Febry 1842	$26.67	
& Interest till 19th Sept 1845	3.76	32.43
" Account on D. Frailing due 9th Febr 1842 $7.42 & interest till		
19th Sept 1845 $ 1.59		9.01
" Account on Daniel Brugh due 29th Decr. 1841 $9.81 part		
paid	$ 4.47	
& Interest till 19th Sept. 1845	.99	5.46
" judgments against Fleming Neighbours debt interest & cost		
22nd March 1845	$58.60	
Deduct Sheriffs commn.	2.87	
	55.73	
& Interest till 19th Sept. 1845	1.66	57.39
" Account on Joel L James to be paid on Smith's work		1.88
" Bond on Wm Hix due 25th Novr 1840 for $100.00 with a Cr.		
entered of $50.00 and a suit on balance and dismissed at		
Plaintiff's cost		
" Amount of Negro hire due Est. Hire of Andrew due		
1st Jany 1843	$75.00	
Hire of Bob & John the two due 1st Jany 1843	20.00	
	95.00	
Interest on the same till 19th Sept. 1843	15.50	110.50
		910.10
Cr by amount of credits from oposit page		235.58
Balance due the Estate		$674.72

1841 Sept 23rd		
By this sum paid Samuel West for three coffins	$12.00	
& Interest till 19th Sept 1845	2.88	
1842 August "		
" paid Sheriff of Roanoke tickets to Feathers & others	.63	
& Interest till 17th Sept 1843	.11	
1843 April 6th		
" paid Wingfield & Johnson fee for order to divide Est	$10.50	
& Interest till 29th Sept 1845	1.54	12.04
1844 Jany 22nd		
" paid Do fee & tax in case vs Hix	$ 5.75	
" " " Do fee & tax vs Arrington	3.00	
" " " Do fee & tax vs McDermed	3.25	
" " " Do fee in motion in Mays	2.50	
" " " Do fee for motion	5.00	
" " " Do fee & tax vs Thos Lunsford	3.23	
	22.75	
& Interest on same till 17th Sept 1845	2.26	25.01
" Feby 14th		
" paid Clerk of Bedford fee $1.24 & interest till 29th Sept 1845	.11	1.32
" " 24th		
" paid McGeorge for fee surveying McCormack land $1.50 & interest	.14	1.64
" March 9th		
" paid for license for entertainment $0.36 & Clerk's tickett $0.33	.69	
& Interest till 19" Sept 1843	.06	.75
" April 6th		
" paid Clerke of Roanoke fees	$ 7.40	
Do Sheriff Do Do	1.63	
" postage for paper	.18	
	9.21	
Interest till 19th Sept. 1845	.80	10.01
" May 29th		
" paid Wright H Wright witnesses attendance $4.24 & Interest till 19th Sept. 1845 $0.32		4.56
" August 19th		
" paid Taxes & fees for year 1844 $17.18 & interest till 19th Sept. 1845 $1.11		18.29
1845 Jany 28th		
" Wm Gish Store acct.		.47
" Do " F H Mays fee vs Neighbours $3.00 & interest till 19 Sept. 1845 13 cts		18.29

" July 25th		
" John Booth Constable's cost		.60
" August 6th		
" James Mays tickets cost of Joseph Wrights Est.		2.81
Sept 11th		
" Clerk's tickets vs Est.		9.35
1844 April 6th		
" paid Cost in suit vs. McDermed's $8.44 & Interest till 19th Sept 1845 $.73		9.17
" Nov 18th		
" amount Hixes judgment vs Wright Est $10.34 & interest till 19" Sept 1845 52 cts		10.86
" " " Clerk of Franklin fees vs Arrington $2.67 & interest till 19 Sept 1845 .13 cts		2.80
" April 6th		
" Coroner of Roanoke fees vs McDermed $1. & interest till 19 Sept 1845 .09 cts		1.09
" Oct 19		
" Clerk of Bedford fees vs Neighbours $7.25 & interest till 19" Sept. 1845 .39 cts		7.64
1843 August 1		
" Clerk of S. Court fees vs Hix $3.50 & interest till 19th Sept 1845 .43 cts		3.93
1844 "		
" Clerk of Bedford recording deed $1.50 Interest till 19th Sept. 1845 .10		1.60
" " Sheriff's fee of Roanoke vs Lunsford		.63
" April 6th		
" Clerk of Roanoke fees vs Lunsford $7.02 & Interest till 19" Sept 1845 .65		7.67
" August		
" Sheriff of Bedford fees vs Neighbors & Hix	$1.26	
& Interest till 19" Sept. 1845	.08	1.34
1845 August		
" Clerk S Court Do Do vs Hix $2.97 & paid Clerk of Do vs Neighbours $3.76		6.73
" " Sheriff of Bedford fees in Hix		1.26
1845 Sept. 19"		
" By Commr on the collection of $910.10 at 8 per cent thought reasonable from the number of suits br(?) brough to collect		72.80
By this sum charged by the commr for settling this acct 1½ days		3.00
		$235.38

The balance of principal due to the Estate of Matthew Wright by the admrs. on the 19th of September 1843 was after deduction Coms of $272.08	$3573.52
Then Interest on $3573.52 till the 19th Sept 1845	428.82
and the amount of Interest due the estate on the first settlement up to 19th Sept 1843 was	400.42
and the amount of the balance due the estate on this settlement the 19th Sept. 1845	674.72
Balance of interest and principal due the Est. the 19th Sept 1845	5077.48
Deduct the amount of negro hire from this page (as the widow is not entitled in it)	110.50
	4966.98
The widows dower	1655.66
	3311.32
Here add the amount of negro hire deducted	110.50
	3421.82

And to fix a division amongst the different legatees equally there should be the sum of $315.00 for Wright H Write and for Milley Wright $400.00 the two amounting to $715.00 so as to make those two equal with the others who had received	715.00
	2708.82
And add $210.00 over drawn by Jane Camper in first advancements which is to be deducted from here equal share in this division	210.00
And then the sum of $2728.82 to be divided in 9 shares of $272.88 each and the 10th share for Jane Comper will be $252.88	2728.82

And a further statement and settlement of Peter M Wright accoun as Commissioner of Matthew Wright's Decd. Estate growing of the sales of four negro slaves belonging to the said estate as follows	
Viz Andrew at the price of	$600.00
Carlot at Do	312.50
Will at	149.50
John at Do	301.00
	1363.00
All due the 5th Jany 1844 and Interest on $1363.00 till 5th January 1846	136.56
	1526.56
Deduct Commission on $1526.50 at 5 & 2 per cent	39.52
divided into ten shares	1487.04
One share	148.70

Agreeable to an order of the County Court of Bedford made at the May term 1847 I have proceeded to state and settle the Estate of Matthew Wright Decd.

with his admr as above and also added a list of disbursements up to 19th Sept 1845 By the administrator

By Thos Mead Commr

The following is a list of payments paid to Matthew Wright's distributees by the admr. Peter M. Wright

1841 Oct 19	
Paid Milley Wright the sum of	$60.00
To Interest on the same till 19" Jany 1846	15.60
1842 Oct 19th	
Paid Milley Wright as per rcpt hold by P M Wright	450.00
Interest on the same till 19" Jany 1846	91.33
1844 Febry 14th	
Paid Milley Wright as per recpt	150.00
Interest till 19th Jany 1846	18.69
" April 11th	
Paid Milley Wright as per recpt	100.00
Interest till 19" Jany 1846	10.62
	896.25

Milley Wright not having received in the first advances will here receive $821.38

1841 October 31st	
Paid to Joseph P Wright as per recpt.	$150.00
To interest on the same till 19th Jany 1846	37.98
1844 April 11th	
Paid Jos P Wright as per recpt	70.00
Interest till 19" Jany 1846	7.43
" February 14"	
Paid Jos. P Wright as per recpt.	85.00
Interest till 19" Jany 1846	9.84
	360.25
1841 November 23	
P M Wright paid John A Wright as per recpt	210.00
Interest on the same till 19" Jany 1846	52.35
1844 July 8"	
Paid John A Wright as pr rect this sum	100.00
Interest till 19" Jany 1846	9.18
	371.53
1842 October 19"	
P M Wright paid the widdow Nancy Wright as per rcpt	$525.00
Interest on the same till 19" Jany 1846	102.37

1844 April 8"	
Paid Nancy Wright as per recpt	475.00
Interest till 19" Jany 1846	50.74
1845 July 7"	
Paid Nancy Wright as per recpt	50.00
Interest till 19" Jany 1846	1.60
	$1204.71
1842 October 19"	
P M Wright Paid Wright H Wright as per recpt	$300.00
and Interest till 19" Jany 1846	58.50
1843 Sept 29"	
Paid Wright H Wright as per recpt	150.00
Interest till 19" Jany 1846	20.75
1844 March 4"	
Paid Wright H Wright as per recpt	50.00
Interest till 19" Jany 1846	5.62
" April 11"	
Paid Wright H Wright as per recpt	100.00
Interest till 19" Jany 1846	10.63
May 3rd	
Paid Wright H Wright as per recpt	65.00
Interest till 19" Jany 1846	6.67
	767.17
1842 October 19"	
P M Wright paid Francis Johnson and Nancy his wife as per recept	$110.00
and Interest on the same till 19" Jany 1846	21.45
1843 July 17"	
" Paid Francis Johnson &c as per receipt	90.00
Interest till 19th Jany 1846	13.53
1844 June 24"	
" Paid Francis Johnson as per recpt	100.00
" Interest till 19th Jany 1846	9.41
	344.39
1843 August 14"	
P M Wright Paid Wilson Meador & Polly his wife as per receipt	$200.00
and Interest on the same till 19th Jany 1846	29.16
1844 July 20"	
" Paid Wilson Meador & as per rcept	100.00
" Interest on the same till 19" Jany 1846	9.00
	$338.16
1843 September 28	
P M Wright Paid Valentine G Camper & Jane his wife as per recpt	$150.00
and Interest on the same till 17" Jany 1846	20.77
" " 29th	

" Paid Valentine G Camper &c as per recpt	50.00
" Interest till 19" Jany 1846	6.91
	$227.68

The above is an unequal share having over received in first advance & should be $401.58

1843 October 27"	
P M Wright paid John Compton & Lydia his wife	
as per rcept	$100.00
with Interest on the same till 19" Jany 1846	13.37
" December 19"	
" Paid John Compton &c as per rcept	110.00
" Interest on the same till 19" Jany 1840	13.75
1845 February 3rd	
" Paid John Compton &c as per receipt	130.00
" Interest till 19" Jany 1846	7.50
	$374.62

There is no list of payments to Isaiah B Compton or Julia his wife as both are dead & it will go into the hands of the Guardian and see settlement of Josiah Comptons act.

N.B. one equal share of the amount of the perishable property and sale of Negroes with the interest accuring thereon is $4211.58

By S Mead Commr

At a Court held for Bedford County June 29" 1847

This account current of the estate of Matthew Wright Deceased with Peter M Wright his administrator was produced in Court and ordered to lie one term for exceptions. And thereafter to Wit - At a Court held for said County July 26 1847 No exceptions having been taken thereto the same was ordered to be recorded

Teste
Jno R Steptoe CBC"

In February 1848 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 30/17 Thomas Kasey was appointed to settle the account of Peter M. Wright as administrator of the estates of Isaiah Compton and Julia Compton:

"Ordered that Thomas Kasey being first sworn state and settle the account current of Peter M. Wright as administrator of Matthew Wright deceased, also of

Peter M. Wright as administrator of Isaiah Compton deceased and also of Peter M. Wright as administrator of Julia Compton deceased and make report to Court."

The 1848 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Nancy Wright with the following household:

Persons Chargeable With tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses, mules, &c
Nancy Wright	0	3	3	2

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness and value	Stages, and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches	Patent lever or lepine silver watches

Other watches	Mettalic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50	Attorneys paying specific tax and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax
		1				

Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase including interest, profits or dividends on state or corporat'n bonds	Am't of monied income over $400, received or salaries or fees of office	Bridges - am't of yearly rent or value over $100

Ferries - am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses, and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars	Cents
		1	.29

The 1848 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Nancy Wright with the following property:

Name Of Owner	Residence	Estate, whether held in fee simple for life &c	No. of Acres	Descriptions of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Nancy Wright	Bedford	dower	126	On Beaverdam Cr

Distance & bearing from the court-house	Value of land per acre, including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land & buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate	Explanations of alterations during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred
20 W	8.17	400	1029.42	1.03	

The 1849 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Nancy Wright with the following household:

Persons Chargeable With tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses, mules, &c
Nancy Wright		3	3	2

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness and value	Stages, and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches	Patent lever or lepine silver watches

Other watches	Mettalic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50	Attorneys paying specific tax and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax
		1				

Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase including interest, profits or dividends on state or corporat'n bonds	Am't of monied income over $400, received or salaries or fees of office	Bridges - am't of yearly rent or value over $100

Ferries - am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses, and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
		1.28½

The 1849 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Nancy Wright with the following property:

Name Of Owner	Residence	Estate, whether held In fee simple for life &c	No. of Acres	Descriptions of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Nancy Wright	Bedford	dower	126	On Beaverdam Cr.

Distance & bearing from the court-house	Value of land per acre, including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land & buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate	Explanations of alterations during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred
20 W.	8.17	400	1029.42	1.03	

The 1849 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed M & John Wright with the following property:

Name Of Owners	Residence	Estate whether in fee simple, for life&c	Number of each lot in the town	Name of Town
M & John Wright	Bedford	fee	1 do	Hardysville

Value of buildings	Value of lots, including Buildings	Yearly rent of lots	Amount of Tax on lots	_____
	5.00		.01	unimproved

On April 23, 1849, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 13/248 a further accounting for the estate of Matthew Wright was filed.

"Dr The Estate of Matthew Wright Decd

1846			
May 1 To paid Sheriff Franklin Taxes &			
	Tickets Vouchers	No 1	2.75
	" " Clerks Tickets	2	5.06
	" " Clerk of Roanoke	3	2.49
	" " Sheriff of Bedford	4	.63
	" " Clerk Roanoke for copy recorde	5	2.00
	" " Clerk Bedford Tickets	6	1.18
	Int. Allowed on the Same to 1st Jany 1848		1.12
Decr. 9	" " Clerks Tickets	7	2.16
	Int on Same to 1st Jany 1848		0.13
1848			
Jany	" " Lawyers fee and cut Tax	15	3.00
	" " Lawyers fee & red Tax	16	3.00
	" " One half Clerks ticket charged to Mays	17	1.97
	" " John B Ferrill const	18	.30
	" " One half clerks Ticket charged to Mays	19	1.18
	" " One half Pates Receipt Charged To Mays	20	1.00
	" " Clerk of Bedford	21	1.58
	" 5 p Cent commission on $294.77		14.72
	" this sum left in hands of admr to pay expence		19.30

	" " William Mead & Thos Kasey Commissioners	
	this sum for Settling this account	4.00
	Deducted from Cr See contra	$67.57

The following is a list of payments made to Matthew Wrights Distributeese by Peter M Wright 1846 his Administrator as p receipts produced to us which receipts he wished listed and returned with this Settlement

Decr.	paid Valentine Camper pr receipt produced	$130.00
1847		
Jany 2	paid Nancy Wright (widow)	200.00
Oct. 2	" John Compton	47.00
Oct. 14	" Wilson Meador	75.00
Oct. 18	" John A Wright	50.00
Sept 24	" Joseph P Wright for himself & Wright Wright	100.74
Oct. 4	" Frances Johnson	77.19
1848		
Sept. 7	" Valentine Camper	10.00
Nov. 3	" Nancy Wright (wodiw)	60.00
1849		
Feby 17	" Milley Wright	1.10
" 21	" Wilson Meador	31.26
" "	" John Cumpton	24.07
" "	" Francis Johnson	24.07
" "	" Nancy Wright (widow)	368.02
" "	" Milley Wright	24.07

In Acct. Current with Peter M Wright his Admrs			Dr
1845			
Augt 22nd	By this Sum due Matthew Wrights Estate since Settlement made with James Mays the Surviving Executor of Joseph Wright Decd by his administrators (Peter M Wright)	))))	$265.56
	By Int. on Same to 1st Jany 1848		29.21
			294.77
	Deduct Amt. Debit brot. from Contra		67.57
	This sum in the hands of Admrs for distribution		$227.20
	Deduct this sum for Nancy Wright widow it being her thirds of the above amount	))	75.73
			$151.47
	Bal. in the hands of the Administrators for distribution amongst the 10 Lengateese which amounts to $15.14		

For a more full explanation of the whole estate Refference should be had to Thomas Meade last Settlement

Persuant to an Order of the County Court of Bedford pronounced February Term we have proceeded to State and Settle the account of Matthew Wright Decd. with Peter M Wright his Admrs having been duley Quallified according to law and find a Balance of $227.20 in favour of the Estate as setled up to the 1st Jany 1848 Given under our hands this 26 day of March 1849

Thomas Kasey)
William Mead) Comrs

At a Court held for Bedford County March 27" 1849

This account current of the estate of Matthew Wright Deceased with Peter M Wright his administrator was produced in Court and ordered to lie one term for exceptions. And afterwards to Wit At a Court held for said County April 23rd 1849 no exceptions having been taken thereto the same was ordered to be recorded

Teste
Jno. R. Steptoe C.B.C."

The 1850 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Nancy Wright with the following household:

White males Persons Chargeable With tax	Male free above 16 years of age	Slaves negroes above sixteen	Slaves above 16 years of age	above 12 years of age	Horses, mules, &c
Nancy Wright			3	3	

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages, and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches	Patent lever or lepine silver watches
2					11

Other watches	Mettalic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Harps and value	Plate over the value of $50	Attorneys paying specific tax and am't of tax

Physicians and paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of interest or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase including interest, profits or dividends on state or corporation bonds	Amount of monied yearly income over received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges - yearly rent or value over $100

Ferries - yearly rent or value over $100	Total amount of tax Dollars	Cents
	1.55	

The 1850 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Nancy Wright with the following property:

Name Of Owner	Residence	Estate, whether held in fee simple for life &c	No. of Acres	Descriptions of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Nancy Wright	Bedford	fee	126	Beaverdam Cr

Distance & bearing from the court-house	Value of land per acre, including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land & buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate	Explanations of alterations during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred
20 W	8.17	400	1029.42	1.03	

The 1850 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed M & John Wright with the following property:

Name Of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee simple, for life &c	Number of each lot in the town	Name of Town
M & John Wright	Bedford	fee	1 do	Hardysville

Value of buildings	Value of lots, including Buildings	Yearly rent of lots	Amount of tax on lots at the legal rate	Explanations of alterations during the preceding year
	5.00		.01	

The 1850 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Nancy Right in the Right Right household:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Right Right	30	M		Farmer	$2,000
Jane Right	30	F			
Sally P. Right	7	F			
John M. Right	5	M			
William Right	4	M			
Osca A. Right	2	M			
Sarah A. Right	6/12	F			
Nancy Right	60	F			
Mildred Right	36	F			
Matthew M. Crampton	12	M			
Nancy J. Crampton					

Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				

This record indicates that Nancy (Holland) Wright was born in about 1790, but such a date seems too late, given the birth dates of her children.

The 1860 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed a Nancy Wright with the following household adjacent to the Wright H. Wright household:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Nancy Wright	80	F			3,500
Wm. J. Jeter	23	M		Farmer	3,000
N. J. Jeter	20	F			
M. Wright	50	F			

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
2,500	Virginia				
3,200	Virginia				
	Virginia	1			
3,000	Virginia				

This record indicates a date of birth of Nancy (Holland) Wright of about 1780, which is more consistent with the birth dates of her children.

The Declaration of Littleberry Wright dated June 19, 1873, at Meade County, Kentucky, D.B. P/139 listed Mathew Wright as a child of 1815 Joseph Wright:

> "Meade County State of Kentucky, United States of America the nineteenth day of June A.D. One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventh Three,
>
> I Little Berry Wright of the County State and Country aforesaid was born March the 25th twenty ____ day One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety One in the State of Virginia near Bedford or Franklin County. My father was named Joseph Wright Jr. of Bedford County Virginia. he was a Son of Joseph Wright Sr. of the County of Bedford and State aforesaid who was my grandfather.
> . . . .
>
> My Grand Father had five children by his first wife which was my Grand mother the names of which was Thomas, Mary, Milly, John and Joseph, The names of the children by his Second wife was named Aggie Nancy, Basheba, Judith, Martha, Mathew & Wright-Wright making twelve in all. . . ."

Mrs. Parker's corrections to Our Kin listed Matthew Wright's wife as Nancy Holland, but no source was given for this information.

In her letter dated September 11, 1984, Mrs. Paulette Wilson enclosed a copy of a statement prepared by Mrs. N. A. McManaway, a daughter of Peter Meador Wright, Sr:

> "Our Great-Grandmother Holland's maiden name was Meador. Her daughter Nancy Holland married Matthew Wright. From this union Sprang Jane, Peter Meador, Mary, and Joseph Pate, Millie, Nancy, John Asher, Lydia, Julia and Wright Holland.
>
> Jane married Valentine Campor, Peter Meador married Susan James. Mary married Wilson Meador. Joseph P. wed Eliza Adams. Nancy wed Francis Johnson. John A. wed Libby Craft. Lydia wed John Compton. Julia wed Isiah Compton. Wright H. wed June Burford, (she bore him five children and died). Later he married Minerva Foutz. Aunt Millie died a maid. The others each raised a family.
>
> The foregoing was written by Mrs. N. A. McManaway for Mrs. S. J. Basham"

A copy of a second statement was also enclosed with Mrs. Wilson's letter, this one a statement by Susan J. Basham dated June 1897:

"My father's name was Peter Meador Wright. His father's name was Matthew Wright. Matthew Wright's father was Joseph Wright.

My Grandmother Wright's maiden name was Nancy Holland. I think her father was Peter Holland.

My mother's maiden name was Susan James. Her father was Isaac James. His father was Elias James, his wife's given name was Anna.

My mother's mother's maiden name was Polly James. Her father was Daniel James. His wife's given name was susanna.

I think the above is a correct statement.

Signed: Susan J. Basham
June 1897"

From these two documents it seems clear that Matthew Wright's wife was Nancy (Holland) Wright.

In her letter dated November 30, 1992, Mrs. Katharine Williams enclosed a copy of D.A.R. Application No. 287409 for Mabel Wright Ballard dated October 10, 1934, which stated that Matthew Wright was a son of Joseph Wright and Elizabeth (Kemp) Wright, was born on January 10 or October 19, 1776, married Nancy Holland in 1799, and died in 1842, that Nancy (Holland) Wright was born in 1783 and died in 1863, and that Matthew Wright and Nancy (Holland) Wright had the following child:

1) John A. Wright, born on February 18, 1809.

Our Kin listed another child:

(11) Alie Wright.

NSSAR Application #79314 for Alfred Bunyan Lemon dated November 13, 1956, stated that Matthew Wright was a son of Joseph Wright and Elizabeth (Kemp) Wright, was born on October 19, 1776, married Nancy Holland in about 1799, and died in 1841, and that Nancy (Holland) Wright was born on December 1, 1783, and died in 1863.

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below the children of 1841 Matthew Wright of Bedford County and Nancy (Holland) Wright were the following:

1) Jane (Wright) Camper or Kemper, born on September 7, 1800, probably at Bedford County, Virginia,

2) Peter Meador Wright, born on May 15, 1802, at Virginia, probably at Bedford County, Virginia,

3) Mary Louise "Polley" (Wright) Meador, born on March 16, 1805, at Virginia, probably at Bedford County, Virginia,

4) Joseph Pate Wright, born on March 10 or 30, 1807, at Virginia, probably at Bedford County, Virginia,

5) John Ashwith or Asher Wright, born on February 18, 1809, at Bedford County, Virginia,

6) Nancy (Wright) Johnson, born on July 17, 1812, at Virginia, probably at Bedford County, Virginia,

7) Lydia (Wright) Compton, born on February 2, 1814, probably at Bedford County, Virginia,

8) Julia (Wright) Compton, born on February 12, 1816, probably at Bedford County, Virginia,

9) Alie Wright, born on July 18, 1818, probably at Bedford County, Virginia, and

10) Wright Holland Wright, born on July 30, 1820, at Virginia, probably at Bedford County, Virginia.

a. Jane (Wright) Camper And Her Husband Valentine Camper

Jane (Wright) Camper was a daughter of 1841 Matthew Wright of Bedford County and Nancy (Holland) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1841 Matthew[3])

The marriage bond of Jane Wright and Valentine Camper was dated on October 28, 1828, at Bedford County, Virginia, with Matthew Wright as surety:

> "Know all men by these presents that we Valentine Camper and Mathew Wright are hed and Firmly bound unto William B Giles esq Govenor or chief Magistrate of Virginia in the sum of one hundred & fifty dollars current Money of Virginia to which payment well & Truly to be made to the said Govenor or his Successors for the use of the Commonwealth we bind ourselves & each of us our & each of

our heirs Executors & Administrators Jointly & severally fimly by these presents sealed & dated this 28th day of Oct. 1828 The Condition of the above obligation is such that whereas a Marriage is shortly intended to be had & solemnized between the above bound Valentine Camper and Jane Wright

Now if there shall be no lawful cause to obstruct the Said Marriage then the above obligation to be void else to remain in full force & virtue

Teste V. G. Camper
G A Wingfield Matthew Wright"

If Jane was at least 16 years of age at the time of her marriage, then her date of birth would be probably before 1813. Since Matthew Wright resided in Bedford County, her place of birth was probably at Bedford County, Virginia.

The Division and Allotment of Matthew Wright's land dated May 7, 1842, and recorded at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 11/138 listed Jane Camper as one of his children:

". . . . Lot No 5

We alott to Jane Camper containing 58 acres Laid off as follows Begining at a rock on Pates road thence along the line of Lot No 4 N 61 W 102 poles to a maple on branch corner to Lots No 4 & 7 thence along the lines of Lot No 7 N 9 W 70 poles to a red oak corner to Lot No 6 & and along the lines of the Same S 86 E 124 poles to Peter M Wrights corner red oak along his line S 44 E 6 poles to a post oak corner to the dower thene along the lines of the same S 8 E 20 poles to pointers S 20 W 87 poles to the Begining

Value of		$401.00
to pay Lot No 6	$24	26.
& to pay Lot No 8	$ 3	375. . . ."

On October 2, 1843, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 30/494 Valentine G. and Jane Camper of Putnam County, Indiana, sold 58 acres of land to Wright H. Wright:

"This Indenture made and entered into this October 2nd day 1843 between Valentine G. Camper and his wife Jane of the County of Putnam and state of Indiana of the first part and Wright H. Wright of the County of Bedford and State of Virginia of the second part, Witnesseth that for and in consideration of the sum of four hundred and twenty five dollars to them in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath given, granted, bargained, sold and confirmed and by these presents doth give, grant, bargain sell and deliver unto

him the said Wright H Wright his heirs and assigns forever two certain tracts or parcels of land situate lying and being in the County of Bedford and state of Va and on the waters of Beaverdam creek the first tract containing fifty eight acres it being described as lot number 5 by the commissioners in their report of the division of the lands of Matthew Wright deceased and bounded as follows Viz Begining at a rock in Pates road corner to the dower of the same lands and lot number 4, thence N 61 W 102 poles to a maple on a branch corner to lots N 4 and 7 thence along the line of lot No 7 N 9 W 70 poles to a red oak corner to lot No 6 thence a new line blazed S 86 E 124 poles to Peter M Wright's corner red oak newly choped S 44 E to a post oak corner to the dower and along the line of the same S 8 E 20 poles to pointers S 20 W 87 poles to the begining the other tract or parcel of land being a part of the dower allotted to Nancy Wright which dower is to be retained by her during her natural life and is described by the same commissioners in their report as above described To have and to hold the two aforesaid tracts or parcels of land together with all the privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining unto him the said Wright H Wright his heirs and assigns forever the said Valentine G Camper and his wife Jane doth covenant for themselves their heirs &c that they will forever warrant and defend the right title of the first named tract and that they will forever warrant and defend the right and title to 1/10 part of the dower tract after the death of the surviving partner and relick of Matthew Wright deceased to wit, Nancy Wright unto him the said Wright H. Wright his heirs and assigns forever against the claims or demands of all persons whatsoever. In witness whereof we the parties hereunto set our hands and affix our seals this the day and date above written

Signed Sealed & deli-
vered in the presence of

Valentine G Camper
Jane Camper

Bedford County to Wit:

We John Claytor and William Mead Justices of the peace in and for the County aforesaid do hereby certify that Valentine G Camper party to a certain deed bearing date the 2nd day of October 1843 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and desired us to certify said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Bedford in order to be recorded Given under our hands and seals this 4th day of October 1843

Jno Claytor J.P.
William Mead J.P.

Bedford County to Wit

We John Claytor and William Mead Justices of the peace in and for the County aforesaid do hereby certify that Jane Camper party to a certain deed bearing date the 2nd day of October 1843 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined privily and apart from her husband and having said deed fully explained to her, acknowledged that she had willingly signed, sealed and delivered the same and wished not to retract it Given under our hands and seals this ___ day of October 183

Jno Claytor J.P.
William Mead JP

At a Court held for Bedford County the 25 day of December 1843

This Indenture of bargain and sale from Valentine G Camper and wife to Wright H Wright was produced in Court and together with the certificates thereto annexed ordered to be recorded

Teste
Ro S Mitchell CBC"

On February 26, 1844, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers the heirs of Matthew Wright filed a suit for the sale of four slaves:

"Suit to Sell the slaves of the Est of Matthew Wright deceased - four slaves - Andy Charlotte John William Valentine G. Camper and Jane his wife Indiana - Peter M. Wright Wilson Meador & Polly his wife, Joseph P Wright, John Wright defts

Milly Wright, Francis Johnson and Nancy his wife, John Compton & Lydia his wife Nancy Jane Compton Matthew M Compton and Henry G Compton infant children of Isaiah & Julia Compton formerly Julia Wright - Wright H Wright

Peter M Wright to be appointed Commissioner to Sell - upon a credit of 12 months"

This record identifies Jane (Wright) Camper as a daughter of 1841 Matthew Wright and her husband as Valentine Camper and indicates that they resided in Indiana in 1844.

Our Kin listed Jane Wright's married name as Kemper and her birth date as September 7, 1800.

In her letter dated September 11, 1984, Mrs. Paulette Wilson enclosed a copy of a statement prepared by Mrs. N. A. McManaway, a daughter of Peter Meador Wright, Sr:

> "Our Great-Grandmother Holland's maiden name was Meador. Her daughter Nancy Holland married Matthew Wright. From this union Sprang Jane, Peter Meador, Mary, and Joseph Pate, Millie, Nancy, John Asher, Lydia, Julia and Wright Holland.
>
> Jane married Valentine Campor, ...
>
> The foregoing was written by Mrs. N. A. McManaway for Mrs. S. J. Basham"

b. 1860 Peter Meador Wright Of Bedford County, His Wife Susan (James) Wright, And His Descendants

1860 Peter Meador Wright of Bedford County was a son of 1841 Matthew Wright of Bedford County and Nancy (Holland) Wright. (1763 Thomas[1], 1815 Joseph[2], 1841 Matthew[3])

The 1822 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M. Wright with the following household on April 11:

Date of Receiving Lists from Individuals	Persons names Chargable with Tax	Slaves above the age of 12 12 years	Horses, mares, Colts & mules	Stud Horses No $ Cts
April 11	Peter M. Wright		1	

two wheeled Riding Carriages & Harness		pheatons and stage waggons & Harness		Riding carriages and Harness		
Not Exceeding in Value $100	Above the Value of $100	Not Exceeding in Value $200	Above the value of $200	Not Exceeding in Value $300	Above the Value of $300	Amount of tax
						.14

The 1823 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M. Wright with the following household on April 28:

Date of Receiving List	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	Slaves above 12 years of Age	Horses mares colts & Mules	Stud Horses &c	prices p Season $
April 28	Peter M. Wright				

Riding Carriages	prices &c $	Amot of Tax $ Cts

The 1824 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M. Wright with the following household on April 12:

____	Names of persons Owning property	Blacks over 12	Horses mares &c	Riding Carriages & Stud Horses	Amt of Tax
April 12	Peter M. Wright		1		.12

On April 23, 1824, at Botetourt County, Virginia, D.B. 16/43 Peter M. Wright acted as trustee on a deed of trust executed by Ballenger Mayse to secure a debt due to Matthew Wright.

The marriage bond of Peter M. Wright and Susan James was dated on August 24, 1824, at Bedford County, Virginia, with Isaac James as surety:

> "Know all men by these presents that we Peter M Wright and Isaac James are held and firmly bound unto John H Pleasants Jr. esquire governor or chief magistrate of this Commonwealth now sitting in the just and full sum of one hundred and fifty dollars Current money of Va. to which payment well and truly to be made to the said Governor or their successors we bind ourselves our and each of our heirs Exors & admrs jointely and severally firmly by these presents sealed and dated this 24th day of Augt. 1824
>
> The Condition of the above obligation is such that whereas there is a marriage shortly intended to be had and solemnized between the above bound Wright and

Susan James now if there shall be no lawful cause to obstruct said marriage then the above obligation to be void or else remain in full force

Witness Peter M. Wright
Ro. C. Mitchell Isaac James"

On November 10, 1824, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 19/229 Peter M. Wright purchased 125 acres of land from Joshua Burnett:

"This Indenture made and entered into this 10 day of November in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty four between Joshua Burnett of the County of Bedford and state of Virginia of the one part and Peter M Wright of the County and state aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth that for & in consideration of the sum of one hundred and twenty five dollars to him in hand paid by the said Peter M Wright the receipt whereof he the said Joshua Burnett doth hereby acknowledge, hath granted bargained and sold and by these presents doth grant bargain sell confirm and deliver unto the said Peter M Wright his heirs and assigns one certain tract or parcel of land situate in the County aforesaid and lying on the North side of Porters Mountain and on both sides of Clove creek a branch of Goose creek and bounded as follows viz: Beginning at a chesnut oak on the road leading from Robertsons to Smelsers thence a new line N 49-3/4 W at 100 poles crossing Glove Creek to the mouth of a lane, the same corner continued in all 150 poles to an elbow in the line. Thence W 66-1/2 W 82 poles to a double chesnut on the mountain near Lamonts old Mill path, thence along Robertsons line S 4 E 143 poles to Lamonts corner maple on Glove creek, thence along his line S 45-1/2 E 87 poles to pointers on Smelsers path in Davis's line thence along his line W 60-3/4 E 26 poles to a chesnut N 49 E 49-1/2 poles to a red oak thence N 65-1/2 E 66 poles to the first station, containing 125-1/4 acres. To have and to hold the aforesaid tract or parcel of land together with all the priviledges and apurtinances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining unto him the said Peter M Wright his heirs & assigns forever the said Joshua Burnett doth covenant for himself his heirs &c that he will forever warrant and defend the right and title of the aforesaid tract or parcel of land unto him the said Peter M Wright his heirs, Exors admrs &c against the claims or demands of all persons or manner of persons whatsoever. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and date first above written

Teste,
Joshua Burnett

Tommy Wright Wm B Stover, Matson James, Matthew Wright, Isaac James Bedford Clerks Office June 27" 1825. This Indenture of bargain and Sale was

proved by the oath of Matson James Matthew Wright and Isaac James subscribing witnesses thereto and admitted to record

Teste
J. Steptoe C.B.C."

On January 8, 1825, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 19/217 Milliner and Nancy Haynes sold one acre of land to Peter M. Wright:

"This Indenture made and entered into this 8" day of January one thousand eight hundred and twenty five between Milliner Haynes and Nancy his wife of the County of Bedford and State of Virginia of the one part & Peter M. Wright of the County and state aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth, that for and in consideration of the sum of thirteen dollars and eighteen cents to them in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath given, granted, bargained sold and confirmed, and by these presents doth give, grant, bargain, sell and confirm unto Peter M Wright his heirs and assigns forever a certain tract or parcel of land situate and lying in the County and state aforeaid and bounded as follows Viz: Beginning at Adams's corner white oak or formerly Adams on Keiths branch in Matthew Wrights line, thence along Adams line 23-1/2 pole to a Post oak, thence off a new Straight line 21 pole to Matthew Wrights corner on foresaid branch, thence along his line 19 pole to the Beginning: Containing one acre and fifty one pole be the same more or less, To have and to hold the aforesaid tract or parcel of land together with all the priviledges and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise apertaining unto him the said Peter M. Wright his heirs and assigns forever. The said Milliner Haynes and his wife Nancy doth covenant for themselves their heirs &c that they will forever warrant and defend the right and title of the aforesaid tract or parcel of land unto him the said Peter M Wright his heirs and assigns forever against the claims or demands of all persons or manner of persons whatever. In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals the day and date first above written.

Teste
John Pate
John Wright
Tommy Wright
John W Dwyer
Isaac James
Matthew Wright
Matson James

Milliner Haynes
Nancy Haynes

Bedford County to Witt.

We William Shrewsbury and Matthew Pate Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Nancy Haynes wife of William Haynes parties to a certain deed for the conveyance of real estate to Peter M. Wright bearing date the 8" day of January 1825 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband & having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her, she the said Nancy Haynes acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she willingly signed Sealed, and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 15" day of April 1825

Wm Shrewsbury
Matthew Pate

Bedford County Court Clerks Office June 27" 1825. This Indenture of bargain and sale was proved by the oath of Isaac James, Matthew Wright & Matson James three subscribing witnesses thereto as to Milliner Haynes, certified as to his wife and admitted to record

Teste
J. Steptoe C.B.C."

On February 26, 1825, at Botetourt County, Virginia, D.B. 16/482 Peter M. Wright released a deed of trust executed by Ballenger Mayse to secure a debt due to Matthew Wright:

"This Indenture made this 26th day of Febuary in the year 1825 Between Peter M Wright of County of Bedford & State of Virginia of the one part & Ballenger Mayse of Botetourt County & State aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth that the said Peter M Wright for and in Consideration of the Sum of one dollar to him in hand paid by the Said Ballenger Mayse and in Obedience to the Instruction of Mathew Wright he the said Peter M Wright hath released & by these presents doth release unto the said Ballenger Mayse all the right title Interest & claim Vested in him the said Peter M Wright by Virtue of a deed of Trust Executed by the said Ballenger Mayse on the 25th day of April 1824 for a Lott and House in the Town of Salem in the County of Botetourt then in the Occupancy of Branson Dunington Containing four poles in front Sixteen & a half poles back & numbered in the plan of said Town, To Secure a debt due from said Mayse to Mathew Wright & Lying on the South Side of the main Street and the sd Peter M Wright for himself & heirs covenants & agrees to forever Warrant & Defend all the right title Interest & Claim Vested in him by Virtue of the aforesaid trust Deed unto the said Ballenger Mayse his heirs & assigns forever against the Claims of him the

Said Peter M Wright his heirs & assigns & all persons claiming under or through him and none other, In Witness whereof the said Peter M Wright hath hereunto set his hands & seals the day & year above written

Thomas G ____ Peter M Wright
John Nelson
Joel Wright

Botetourt County to Wit

We George Bright & William McDermed justices of Peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby Certify that Peter M Wright the partie to a certain Deed bearing date on the 26th day of Febuary one thousand Eight hundred & twenty five & hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid & acknowledged the same to be his act & Deed & Desired us to Certify the said acknowledgement to the clerk of the County Court of Botetourt in order that the said deed may be recorded Given under our hands & Seals this 21st day of September 1825

George Bright
Wm McDermed

Botetourt County Court Clerks office 10th October 1825

This deed together with the Certificates &c thereon written was this day Exhibited in said office & admitted to record

teste
H W Bowyer D.C"

The 1825 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M. Wright with the following household on April 16:

____	Names of Persons Owning Property	Blacks over 12 years	Horses &c	Riding Carriages	$
April 16	Peter M. Wright		1		

Stud Horses	$	Amot of Tax $
		.12

On December 31, 1825, at Franklin County, Virginia, Deed 11/332 Peter M. Wright purchased two parcels of 268 acres and 53 acres from his parents Matthew and Nancy Wright:

"This Indenture made and entered into this 31st day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty five between Matthew Wright and Nancy his wife of the County of Bedford and State of Virginia of the one part and Peter M Wright of the County and State aforesaid of the other part witnesseth that for and in consideration of the Sum of Six hundred Dollars, to them in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath given granted bargained sold and confirmed and by these presents doth give grant bargain sell & confirm unto Peter M Wright his heirs and assigns forever two certain tracts or parcels of Land situate and lying in the County of Franklin and bounded as follows Viz (the first) Begining at a red oak stump on the south bank of Staunton river thence (off) and along John Board line S 53 E 66 poles to a Hickory S 15 E 60 poles to a pine N 44 W 128 poles to a white on the river aforesaid thence up the river as it meanders to William Drake corner (off) thence along his line S 44 E 128 poles to a hickory S 24 W 80 poles to a pine S 25 E 68 poles to a white oak E 42 poles to a branch thence down the same as it meanders 94 poles to a beach thence (off) S 46 E 56 poles to a branch thence down the same as it meanders to the river aforesaid thence up the river as it meanders to the first station Containing two hundred and Sixty eight acres. The other tract bounded as follows Viz Begining at a Chesnut thence N 20 E 100 poles to a chesnut S 50 W 18 poles to a chesnut oak N 76 W 50 poles to a black oak S 20 W 16 poles to a frost oak S 24 W 40 poles to a post oak S 47 E 90 poles to a black oak N 70 E 64 poles to the first station containing by Survey fifty three acres. To have & to hold the aforesaid two tracts or parcels of Land together with all the priviledges and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining unto him the said Peter M Wright his heirs and assigns forever the said Matthew Wright and his wife Nancy doth covenant for themselves their heirs &c that they will forever warrant and defend the right and title of the aforesaid two tracts or parcels of Land unto him the said Peter M Wright his heirs and assigns forever against the claims or demands of all persons or manner of persons whatever. In Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and Seals the day & date first above written

Matthew Wright
Nancy Wright

Bedford County to witt

We William Shrewsbury & Matthew Pate magistrates of said County do hereby certify that Matthew Wright & his wife parties to the within conveyance have duly acknowledged the same before us on the 9" day of January in the year 1826 &

desired us to certify the said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Franklin in order that the said conveyance may be Recorded as witness our hands & Seals &c

Wm Shrewsbury
Matthew Pate

Bedford County towitt

We William Shrewsbury & Matthew Pate Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Nancy Wright wife of Matthew Wright parties to a certain Deed for the conveyance of real estate to Peter M Wright bearing date the 31st day of December 1825 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid & being examined by us privily and apart from her Husband & having the Deed aforesaid fully explained to her she the Said Nancy Wright acknowledged the same to be her act and Deed, and declared that she willingly signed Seald & delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and Seals this 9" day January 1826

Wm Shrewsbury
Matthew Pate

At a Court held for Franklin County at the Courthouse 6" June 1826

This Indenture of bargain and sale between Matthew Wright and Nancy his wife of the one part and Peter M Wright of the other part was exhibited into Court and together with the certificates hereon endorsed ordered to be recorded

Teste
Caleb Tate cfc"

The 1826 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M. Wright with the following household on April 15:

Date of Receiving List	Names of Persons Owning Property	White Tythes	Blacks Over 12	Horses &c	Stud Horses Carriages &c
April 15	Peter M. Wright	1		2	

Amot of Tax $ Cts
.24

The 1826 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Acres	Description of Land
Peter M. Wright	Bedford	1 & 51 poles	On B dam
"	"	125¼	" beaver dam Cr

Distance and Lying from the C. House	Value of Land pr Acre	Sum added to the Land for buildings thereon	Total Value of Land	List of Tax on Land at 8 cts for every $100 Valuation	Remarks
17SW	5.00		.05	.01	
15W	2.00		250.50	.20	

This record reflects the purchase of 125 acres of land by Bedford County Deed 19/229 and one acre of land by Bedford County Deed 19/217.

On January 9, 1826, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 19/406 Peter M. Wright purchased 178 acres of land from Jeremiah and Elizabeth Adams and James E. and Nancy Bowles:

> "This Indenture made and entered into this ninth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty six between Jeremiah Adams and Elizabeth his wife, James E. Bowles and Nancy his wife of the County of Bedford and state of Virginia of the one part and Peter M. Wright of the County and state aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth, that for and in consideration of the sum of two hundred and fifty six dollars to them in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath given granted, bargained, and sold and by these presents doth give, grant, bargain, sell and confirm unto Peter M. Wright his heirs and assigns forever, two fifths of a certain tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in the County and state aforesaid and on the waters of Beaverdam Creek, containing one hundred and seventy eight acres, being the same tract on which James Adams now resides, and being all that tract of land conveyed by said James Adams in trust to Pleasant M. Goggin and John Pate and by said Goggin as trustee to the said Jeremiah Adams, James E Bowles David Saunders, Joel Leftwich and Jack Leftwich; to have and to hold the said

tract or parcel of land with all the priviledges and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining unto him the said Peter M. Wright his heirs and assigns forever - the said Jeremiah Adams Elizabeth his wife, James E Bowles and Nancy his wife doth covenant for themselves, their heirs & to warrant and forever defend all the right title and interest which they have acquired through Pleasant M. Goggin as trustee aforesaid to the said land & premises against the claims of themselves their heirs & all persons claiming by through and under them and none other. In Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands & affixed our seals the day and date first above written.

Jeremiah Adams
Elizabeth Adams
James E Bowles
Nancy Bowles

Bedford County to Witt. We William Shrewsbury and Matthew Pate magistrates of the said County do hereby certify that Jeremiah Adams & his wife Elizabeth, James E. Bowles & his wife Nancy parties to the within conveyance have duly acknowledged the same before us on the 9th day of January 1826 and desired us to certify the said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Bedford in order that the said conveyance may be recorded

As Witness our hands and seals Wm Shrewsbury

Matthew Pate

Bedford County to Witt; We William Shrewsbury and Matthew Pate Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the state of Virginia do hereby certify that Elizabeth Adams wife of Jeremiah Adams & Nancy Bowles wife of James E. Bowles parties to a certain deed for the conveyance of real estate to Peter M Wright bearing date the 9th day of January 1826 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband & having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her they the said Elizabeth Adams and Nancy Bowles acknowledged the same to be their act and deed & declared that they willingly signed, sealed, and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it.

Given under hands and seals this 9th day of January 1826

Wm Shrewsbury
Matthew Pate

At a Court held for Bedford County at the Courthouse the 24th day of April 1826. This Indenture of bargain and sale between Jeremiah Adams & Elizabeth his

wife, and James E. Bowles and Nancy his wife of the one part and Peter M. Wright of the other part now certified by two Justices of the peace for said County and ordered to be recorded

Teste
J. P. Steptoe C.B.C."

The 1827 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M. Wright with the following household on April 6:

Date of Receiving Lists	Persons names chargeable with Tax	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mares colts & mules	Stud Horses	$
April 6	Peter M. Wright		2		

Riding Carriages	Value of Carriages $	Amt of Tax $
		.24

The 1827 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	Description of Land
Peter M Wright	Bed	1 & 51 Poles	On B dam Cr
Do	"	125¼	On Goose Cr
Do	"	59	On beaver dam Cr

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land pr Acre	Sum added to Land on a/c of Buildings Thereon	Total Value of Land	List of Tax on Land at 8 cts for every $100 Valuation	Remarks
17SW	5.00		5.00	.01	
15W	2.00		250.50	.20	
17W	6.00		354.00	.29	

No record has as yet been found reflecting the acquisition of the 59 acre parcel of land set forth in this record.

The 1827 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate Whether held for life or in fee	Number of Acres of Land	Description of the Land
Peter M Wright	Bedford		268	Stanton
Ditto			53	

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Vallue of Land per acre Including Building	Sum added to the Land on account of Building	Total Vallue of Land & Buildings	Amount of Tax	_____
	2.50		670.00	.54	from M Wright
	2.50		133.50	.11	pr Ditto

This record reflects the purchase of 268 acres and 53 acres of land by Franklin County Deed 11/332.

The 1828 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M. Wright with the following household on April 9:

Date of Receiving	Persons Names Charged With Tax	Slaves Above 12 years of age	Horses Mares Colts & Mules
April 9	Peter M. Wright		3

Stud Horses No $ Tax	____ & Harness No $ Tax	pheatons & Stage Waggons No. $ Tax	Amt. of Tax $ Cts
			.36

The 1828 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	Description of Land
Peter M Wright	Bedford	1	57 poles on B D
Do	"	125¼	On the same
Do	"	59	On B D Cr

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land pr Acre	Sum added to Land on a/c of Buildings Thereon	Total Value of Land	List of Tax on Land at 8 cts for every $100 Valuation	Remarks
17SW	5.00		5.00	.01	
	2.00		250.50	.20	
" "	6.00		354.00	.29	

The 1828 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate Whether held for life or in fee	Number of Acres of Land	Description of the Land
Peter M Wright	Bedford	in fee	268	Stanton
Ditto			53	

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Vallue of Land per acre Including Building	Sum added to the Land on account of Building	Total Vallue of Land & Buildings	Amount of Tax on Land	Explanation of alterations During the preceding Year
	2.50		670.00	.54	
	2.50		133.50	.11	

On February 15, 1829, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 21/329 Peter M. Wright acted as trustee on a deed of trust executed by James Corley, alias James Findley.

The 1829 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M. Wright with the following household on April 16:

Date of Receiving Lists	Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White Tythes	Blacks	Horses Mules Colts & Mares	Stud No $ Cts
April 16	Peter M. Wright		2		

Two wheeled riding Carriages & Harness not exceeding in value $100	Above the value of $100	Faytons Stage Waggons & Harness belonging thereto Carry Alls & Jersey Waggons	Amt of Tax
			.20

The 1829 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	Description of Land
Peter M Wright	Bedford	1 & 51 po.	On beaver dam
Do	"	125¼	On beaver dam
Do	"	59	On Same

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land pr Acre	Sum added to Land on Act of the Buildings Thereon	Total value of Land	Amt of Tax on Land at 8 Cents for every $100 Valuation	
17SW	5.00		5.00	.01	
16W	2.00		250.50	.20	
17W	6.00		554.00	.29	

The 1829 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate whether Fee for life &c	Number of Acres	Situation of Land
Peter M Wright	Bedford	Fee	268	Staunton
"	"	"	53	"

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of Land Pr Acre including Buildings &c	Sum added to the Value of the Land on account of Improvements &c	Total Value of Land & Improvements	Amount of Tax on Land	Explanation of alterations During the preceding Year
20 NE	2.50	200.00	670.00	.54	
"	2.50	"	133.50	.11	

In June 1829 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 22/274 the overseer of the poor was ordered to bind Hopkins Wheeler to Peter M. Wright:

> "Ordered that the Overseers of the poor of this County bind John Adams to Beverley Corley; also Braxton McCormack to James Wright also Henry Hix to John Doury, and Hopkins Wheeler to Peter M. Wright according to law"

On June 19, 1829, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Zachariah Robertson and Jesse Robertson executed their surety bond to secure the payment of $44.52 due to Peter M. Wright as landlord:

> "Know all men by these presents that we Zachariah Robertson & Jessee Robertson are held & firmly bound unto Peter M Wright in the full & just sum of 44 dollars & 52 cents Currant money of Virginia to be paid to the said Peter M Wright his heirs executors administrators or assigns for the true payment whereof we bind our selves our heirs executors administ firmly by these preasits sealed with our seals & dated the 19th day of June in the year 1829
>
> The Condition of the above Obligation is such that whereas Zachariah Robertson hath purchased the goods of Payne Robertson sold to satisfy a distress warrant issued by Peter M Wright the landlord: to the amount of twenty two dollars & 26 cents which goods have been delivered unto the said Zachariah Robertson by his entering into bond with Sufficient security for the above sum of twenty two dollars & 26 cents payable at the end of three months next ensuing to bear interest from the presant date now if the said Zachariah Robertson & Jesse Robertson their heirs executors or administrators shall at the end of the three months next ensuing pay to the said Peter M Wright his heirs executors administrators or assins the sum of 22 dollars & 26 cents with legal interest thereon; then the above obligation to be void or else to remain in full force & virtue This being the day & year first written
>
> signed sealed & acknowl-) Zechariah Robertson
> edged in presants of) Jesse robrt
> Joseph P Wright)
>
> Received of the within four dollars and eighty two cents this 19th day of May 1831
>
> August 5 1831 Peter M. Wright
> Cr by $8
> April 13 1832
> Cr by $3.93"

The 1830 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M. Wright with the following household on April 17:

Date of Receiving Lists	Names of Persons Owning Property 31st January 1830	White Tithes	Blacks over 12 Years	Horses Mules &c	Stud Horses
April 17	Peter M. Wright	1		3	

Price of Tax	Riding Carriages	Price of	Amount of Tax
			.24

The 1830 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	Description of Land
Peter M Wright	Bedford	1 & 51 poles	On B D Cr
Peter M Wright Do	Bedford	125¼	On beaver dam
Do	"	59	On the Same

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land P Acre	Sum added to the Land On Account of the Building Thereon	Total Value of Land	Amt of Tax on land at 8 Cents for Every $100 Value	
17SW	5.00		5.00	.01	
15W	2.00		250.00	.20	
17W	6.00		554.00	.29	

The 1830 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate whether in Fee or for life	Number of Acres	Situation of Land
Peter M Wright	Bedford	Fee	268	Staunton
"	"	"	53	"

Distance from C House	Bearing from C House	Value of Land Per Acre, including Buildings	Sum added to Value of Land for Improvements	Total Value of Land & Improvements
20	NW	2.50	200.00	670.00
"	"	2.50	"	133.50

Amount of Tax on Land	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding Year
.54	
.11	

The 1830 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M. Wright with the following household:

Names Heads of Families	Free White Males	Age	Free White Females	Age
Peter M. Wright	1	20-30	1	20-30
	1	5-10	2	0-5

Slaves Male	Age	Slaves Female	Age	Free Colored Males	Age	Free Colored Females	Age

	White Persons included in the foregoing				
Total	Deaf & Dumb Under 14	Deaf & Dumb 14 to 25	Deaf & Dumb 25+	Blind	Aliens - Foreigners & Naturalized
5					

Slaves and Colored Persons, included in the foregoing			
Deaf & Dumb under 14	Deaf & Dumb 14 to 25	Deaf & Dumb 25+	Blind

This record indicates that Peter M. Wright and Susan (James) Wright were born between 1800 and 1810.

On June 15, 1830, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 13/76 Peter M. Wright and Susan his wife sold a tract of land to Elijah Basham:

> "This Indenture made and entered into this 15" day of June in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and thirty between Peter M Wright and Susan his Wife of the County of Bedford & State of Virginia of the one part and Elijah Basham of the County of Franklin & State aforesaid of the other part, Witnesseth, that for & in consideration of the sum of Ninety five dollars to them in hand paid receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath given granted, bargained sold & confirmed & by these presents doth doth give grant bargain, sell and confirm unto Elijah Basham his heirs & assigns forever, a certain tract or parcel of land situate & lying in the County of Franklin & bounded as follows Viz, Begining at a chesnut, thence N 20 E 101 poles to a Chesnut, S 50 W 18 poles to a chesnut, N 76, W 50 poles to a Black Oak, S 20 W 16 poles to a post oak, S 24 W 40 poles to a post oak, S 47 E 90 poles to a Black oak, N 70 E 64 poles to the first station, containing by survey fifty three acres. To have & to hold the aforesaid tract or parcel of land, together with all the priviledges & apurtenances - thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining unto him the said Elijah Basham his heirs & assigns forever. The said Peter M Wright & Susan his wife doth covenant for themselves their heirs &c that they will forever warrant & defend the right & title of the aforesaid tract or parcel of land unto him the said Elijah Basham his heirs & assigns forever against the claim or demands of all

persons or manners of persons whatsoever. In Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands & seals the day & date above mentioned.

Peter M Wright
Susan Wright

Bedford County, To Wit,

We William Shrewsbury & Matthew Pate Justices of the peace for the County aforesaid do certify that Peter M Wright & his Wife Susan parties to a certain Deed for the conveyance of Real Estate bearing date the 15" day of June 1830 & hereto anexed acknowledged the same to be their act & Deed & desired us to certify said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Franklin, we do further certify that Susan Wright wife of Peter M Wright parties to a certain deed for the conveyance of real estate bearing date the 15th day of June 1830 and hereto anexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid & having the Deed aforesaid fully explained to her, she the said Susan Wright acknowledged the same to be her act and deed & declared that she done it freely & volunterily without the perswasion or threats of her husband, & that she wished not to retract it, & that she desired us to certify said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Franklin. Given under our hands & seals this 17" day of June 1830.

Wm Shrewsbury
Matthew Pate

At the Clerks Office of the County Court of Franklin the 2d day of November 1830. This Indenture of bargain and sale between Peter M Wright and Susan his Wife of the one part and Elijah Basham of the other part, was exhibited into the Office and together with the certificate hereon endorsed admitted to record.

Teste,
Caleb Tate C.F.C."

The 1831 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M. Wright with the following household on April 16:

List	Names of Persons Owning Property 31st of Jany 1831	Blacks of 12 years	Horses Coalts &c	Riding Carrages	Stud Horses	Amt of Tax
April 16	Peter M. Wright		1			.06

The 1831 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	description of Land January 1st 1831
		Poles	
Peter M Wright	Bedford	1051	On Beaver Dam Cr
ditto	"	125¼	On the Same
ditto	"	59	on the Same

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land pr Acre	Sum added to the Land on a/c of the building thereon	Total value of Land	Amt of tax on land at 8 cents for Every $100 Valuation	Remarks
17SW	5.00		5.00	.01	
15W	2.00		250.00	.20	
17 "	6.00		554.00	.29	

The Tax List inadvertently listed the "1 + 51" poles as "1051" poles and periodically repeated that mistake thereafter.

The 1831 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate whether in Fee or for life	Number of Acres	Situation of Land
Peter M Wright	Bedford	Fee	268	Staunton

Distance from Ct House	Bearing from Ct House	Value of Land Per Acre, including Buildings	Sum added to Value of Land for Improvement	Total Value of Land & Improvements
20	NW	2.50	300.00	670.00

Amount of Tax	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
.54	53 A. tract to Elijah Basham

This record reflects the sale of the tract of land, which apparently was a 53 acre parcel, by Franklin County Deed 13/76.

In January 1832 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 23/435 Peter M. Wright was appointed surveyor of the road from Stover's Creek to Pates Settlement:

> "Ordered that Peter M. Wright be appointed Surveyor of the road from Stovers Creek to the Creek West of John Wrights in Pates Settlement, in room of Jeremiah Adams and the usual hands are ordered to assist said Surveyor in keeping the same in good repair."

The 1832 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M. Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving list	Names of persons Owning property January 31st 1832	White Tithes	Blacks Over 12 yrs. old	Horses Colts &c	Stud Horses
	Peter M. Wright	1		2	

Riding Carriages	Amt of Tax
	.12

The 1832 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	description of Land January 1st 1831
Peter M Wright	Bed	1&51 Poles	On B D Cr
do	"	125¼	On the Same
do	"	59	on the Same

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land pr Acre	Sum Added to Land on A/C of building thereon	Total value of Land	Amt of tax on land at 8 cents for Every $100 Valuation	Remarks
17SW	5.00		5.00	.01	
15 W	2.00		250.00	.20	
17 "	6.00		554.00	.29	

The 1832 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate whether in Fee or for life	Number of Acres	Situation of land
Peter M Wright	Bedford	Fee	268	Staunton

Distance from Court House	Bearing from Court House	Value of Land Per acre, Including buildings	Sum added to Land in Improvement	Total Value of Land and Improvements
20	NE	2.50	200.00	670.00

Amount of Tax	Explanation of alterations during the Preceding year
.54	

The 1833 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M. Wright with the following household:

	Names of persons Owning property January 1st 1833	White Tithes	Blacks Over 12	Horses, Colts, Mules &c
	Peter M. Wright	1		1

Riding Carriages	Stud Horses		Amt of Tax
			.12

The 1833 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners of Land	Residence	No. of Acres	Description of Land January 1st 1833
Peter M Wright	Bed	1&51 Poles	On B D Cr
Do	"	125¼	On the Same
Do	"	59	On the Same

Distance & bearing from the court house	Value of Land pr Acre	Sum added to Land on a/c of building thereon	Total Value of Land	Amt of tax on land at 8 cts pr $100 worth	For the Auditor
17SW	5.00		5.00	.01	
15 W	2.00		250.00	.20	
17 W	6.00		554.00	.29	

The 1833 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate whether in fee or for life	No of Acres	Situation of land
Peter M Wright	Bedford	Fee	268	Staunton

Distance from Ct House	Bearing from Ct House	Value of land Per acre, Including buildings	Sum added to Land for Improvement	Total Value of Land and Improvements
20	NE	2.50	200.00	670.00

Amount of Tax	Explanation of alterations during the Preceding year
.54	

On August 12, 1833, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers John Dent executed his promissory note for $28 payable to Peter M. Wright:

"On or before the 12th day of August 1835 I promise to pay or cause to be paid unto Peter M Wright the just & full sum of twenty eight dollars current Money of Virginia for value of him received as witness my hand & seal this 12th day of August 1833

Test John Dent
George Wheeler"

The 1834 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M. Wright with the following household:

	Names of persons Owning property the 31st of January 1834	White Tithes	Blacks Over 12 Years	Horses Mares &c.
	Peter M. Wright	1		4

Stud Horses	Carriages &c	Amt of Tax
		.24

The 1834 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	Description of Land January 1st 1834
Peter M Wright	Bed	1051	Poles On B D Cr
Do	"	125¼	on the Same
Do	"	59	On the Same

Distance & bearing from the Court house	Value of Land per Acre	Sum added to Land on a/c of buildings thereon	Total Value of Land	Amot of Tax on Land at 8 cents for every $100
17SW	5.00		5.00	.01
15 "	2.00		250.00	.20
17 "	6.00		554.00	.29

The listing of "1051 Poles on BD Cr" is a mistranscription of the prior year's entry of "1 & 51 poles On B.D. Cr." This mistranscription continued on for many years thereafter.

The 1834 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners of Land	Residence	Estate whether in fee or life	Number of Acres	Situation of land
Peter M Wright	Bedford	Fee	268	Staunton

Distance from C House	Bearing from Court House	Value of Land Per Acre	Sum added for Improvements	Total Value of Land & Improvements
25	NE	2.50	200.00	670.00

Amount of Tax of Land
.54

On May 24, 1834, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Peter M. Wright filed an affidavit with the court regarding his work on maintaining the county roads:

"Bedford County

To Peter M Wright Surveyor of the Road from John Wrights Creek to Stovers Creek, Dr

1833
Friday before August Court To 1 day working the Road - $
Friday before Novr Court to 1 day do - do - $
1834
Friday before March Court To - day do - do - $

Bedford County to Witt

This day Peter M. Wright came before me a Justice of the peace for the County aforesaid & made Oath that the above Statement Contains the truth. Given under my hand this 24th day May 1834 -

Matthew Pate JP"

The 1835 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter Wright with the following household:

	Names of persons Owning property the 31st of January 1835	White Tithes	Blacks Over 12	Horses Colts&c
	Peter Wright	1		7

Riding Carriages	Stud Horses	Amount of Tax
		.42

The 1835 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of acres	Description of land January 1st 1835
Peter M Wright		1051 Poles	On Bever dam Creek
Do		125¼	on the Same
Do		59	On the Same

Distance & Bearing from the Court House	Value of land per acre	Sum Added to the Land on accout of Buildings thereon	Total Value of Land	Amount of tax on land at 8 Cts for every G100	
17	5.00		5.00	.01	
15	2.00		250.00	.20	
17	6.00		554.00	.29	

The 1835 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners of Land	Residence	Estate whether in fee or life	Number of Acres	Situation of land
Peter M Wright	Bedford	Fee	268	Staunton

Distance from C House	Bearing from Ct House	Value of Land Per Acre	Sum added for Improvements	Total Value of Land & Improvements
25	NE	2.50	200.00	670.00

Amount of Tax of Land	Explanations of Alterations during the Preceding Year
.54	

On May 20, 1835, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Peter M. Wright filed an affidavit with the court regarding his work on maintaining the county roads:

"The County of Bedford
to Peter M. Wright Dr

For three days working the road from Wright's to Stovers Creek viz

1834 Friday before August Court one day $
Friday before November Court one day
1835 Friday before March Court one day

Bedford County to wit

This day Peter M. Wright came before me a Justice of the peace for said County & made oath that the above account was just & true & that he never had received a part thereof given under my hand this May 20th day 1835

Wm. Shrewsbury"

The 1836 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following household:

	Names of persons Owning property 1st of January 1836	White Tithes	Blacks Over 12	Horses
	Peter M Wright	1		8

Carriages & Stud Horses	Amount of Tax
	.48

The 1836 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of acres	Description of land January 1st 1836
Peter M Wright		1051	Poles On Bever dam Cr
do		125¼	On the Same
do		59	On the Same

Distance & Bearing from the Court House	Value of land pr acre	Improvements Added to the Land On account of Buildings thereon	Total Value of Land	Amount of Tax On Land	
17	5.00		5.00	.01	
15	2.00		250.00	.20	
17	6.00		554.00	.29	

The 1836 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Names of Owner	Residence of Owners	Estate whether in fee or Life	Number of Acres	Situation
Peter M Wright	Bedford	Fee	268	Staunton

Distance from Ct House	Bearing from Ct House	Value of Land Per Acre	Value of Improvements	Value of Land Including Improvements
25	NE	2.50	200.00	670.00

Amount of Tax	Explanations of Alterations during the Preceding Year
.54	

On about December 16, 1836, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Peter M. Wright filed his complaint against John Dent for payment of a debt of $28:

"Bedford County to wit:

Peter M. Wright plaintiff complains of John Dent defendant in custody &c of a plea of debt that he render unto him twenty eight dollars with interest thereon at the rates of six per cent per annum from the 12th day of August 1835 till payment which he owes to and from the plaintiff unjustly detains &c. For that whereas the defendant heretofore to wit on the 12th day of august 1833 at the parish of Russell & in the county aforesaid & by his writing obligatory sealed with his seal and now to the court here shewn, the date whereof, is the same day and year last aforesaid promised to pay or cause to be paid to the plaintiff the just and full sum of twenty eight dollars current money of Virginia for value received of the plaintiff to be paid to the plaintiff on or before the 12th day of August 1835 - The plaintiff avers that the said defendant though often requested did not pay or cause to be paid to the plaintiff on or before the 12th day of August 1835, or at any time thereafter, the said sum of twenty eight dollars or any part thereof. whereby right & action hath accrued to the plaintiff to demand and have of the said defendant the said sum of twenty eight dollars with interest thereon at the rate of 6 percent per annum from the said 12th day of August 1835 till payment. Yet the said defendant though often requested hath not as yet paid the plaintiff the said sum of Twenty eight dollars with the interest aforesaid or any part thereof, but to do this he the said defendant hath hitherto wholy failed & refused & still fails & refuses to render the same. To the damage of the plaintiff $20.00 and thereupon he brings Suit &c.

Jno. F. Sale p.q."

On December 16, 1836, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers a summons was issued against John Dent to answer the complaint of Peter M. Wright for payment of a debt of $28:

"The Commonwealth of Virginia, To the Sheriff of Bedford County Greeting: We command you to take John Dent if he be found within your bailiwick, and him safely keep so that you have his body before the Justices of our County Court of Bedford, at the Courthouse thereof, on the fourth Monday in March next to answer Peter M Wright of a plea of debt for twenty eight dollars with interest thereon from the 12" day of August 1835 Damage twenty dollars And have then

there this Writ. Witness, Robert C. Mitchell, Clerk of our said Court the 16" day of December 1836, in the 61st year of our Independence.

Ro. C. Mitchell"

The 1837 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following household:

	Names of persons Owning property 31st of January 1837	White Tythes	Blacks	Horses &c
	Peter M Wright	1		7

Studs Carriages &c	Tax $ Cts
	.42

The 1837 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	Description of land January 1st 1837
Peter M Wright		1051	Poles On B Dam Cr
do		125¼	On the Same
do		59	On the Same

Distance & Bearing from the Court House	Value of land pr Acre	Improvements added to the Land On Account of Buildings thereon	Total Value of Land	Amount of Tax On Land	
17	5.00		5.00	.01	
15	2.00		250.00	.20	
17	6.00		554.00	.29	

The 1837 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Names of Owner	Residence of Owners	Estate whether in fee or Life	Number of Acres	Situation of Land
Peter M Wright	Bedford	Fee	268	Staunton

Distance from Ct House	Bearing from Ct House	Value of Land Per Acre	Value of Improvements	Value of Land Including Improvements
25	NE	2.50	200.00	670.00

Amount of Tax	Explanations of Alterations during the Preceding Year
.54	

The 1838 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following household:

_____	Names of Persons Owning Property 31st of Jany 1838	White Tythes	Blacks Over 12	Horses
May 1	Peter M Wright	1		7

Carriages & Stud Horses	Tax $ Cts
	.56

The 1838 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	Description of land January 1st 1838
Peter M Wright		1051 Poles	On Bever dam Cr
do		125¼	On the Same
do		59	On the Same

Distance & Bearing from the Court House	Value of Land pr Acre	Improvements added to the Land On Account of Buildings thereon	Total Value of Land	Amount of Tax On Land
17	5.00		5.00	.01
15 SW	2.00		250.00	.25
17 SW	6.00		554.00	.36

The 1838 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Peter Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence of Owners	Estate	No of Acres	Situation of Land
Peter Wright	Bedford	Fee	268	Stanton

Distance	and Bearing from the Court House	Value of Land Per Acre	Value of Improvements	Value of Land Including Improvements
25	NE	2.50	200.00	670.00

Amount of Tax	Explanations of Alterations during the Preceding Year
.67	

On June 15, 1838, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 15/480 Peter M. Wright purchased 186 acres of land from the estate of Peter Holland:

> "This Indenture made and entered into this 15" day of June 1838. Between John M Holland executors of Peter Holland Desd of the one part and Peter M. Wright of Bedford County of the other part Witnesseth that whereas by this last will and testament of the above named Peter Holland Desd the above named John M Holland as his Executor was Required to sell a certain tract or parcel of land herein after particularly Discribed and the said John M Holland as his

Executors as aforesaid did advertise and expose to sale at publick auction the said tract or parcel of land and the above named Peter M Wright became the purchaser at the sum of three hundred and eighty seven dollars and eighty one cents in two annual payments therefore in consideration of the sum of one Dollar to me the said John M Holland Executor as aforesaid in hand paid by Peter M Wright before the sealing and delivery of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged I the said John M Holland Executor as aforesaid do grant bargain and sell unto the said Peter M Wright the said parcel or tract of land situate lying and being in Franklin County Virginia and on Blackwater River containing by actual survey one hundred and eighty six acres be the same more or less. Begining at white oak on poplar Camp Creek thence north 190 poles to pointers south 75 West 21 poles to a post oak north 25 East 146 poles to pointers south 60 East 146 poles to a white oak stump on blackwater River thence down the same as it meanders 322 poles to the mouth of the said Creek thence up the same as it meanders 120 poles to the Bigining To have and to hold the above discribed tract of land unto him the said Peter M Wright and to his heirs forever and I the said John M Holland as Executor aforesaid the tract of land aforesaid and their appertainances unto the said Peter M Wright and his heirs I do by these presents Warrant and forever defend as Executor aforesaid and in that capassaty only defend free from the claim of me or any person claiming by or through me but acting as Executor I convey only such title as is vested in me. In Testimony whereof I the said John M Holland Executor as aforesaid do hereunto set my hand and affix my seal the day and year first above ritten.

John M Holland the
Executor of Peter Holland

Franklin County Court August 6" 1838

This Indenture of bargain and sale between John M Holland Executor of Peter Holland decd of the one part and Peter M Wright of the other part, was produced in court and acknowledged by the said John M Holland ordered to be recorded.

Teste
Moses G Carper CFC"

On November 20, 1838, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers William Franklin and Joel Franklin executed their promissory note for $25 payable to Peter M. Wright:

"twelve months after date we or either of us promise to pay Peter M Wright the just sum of twenty five dollars for value of him received as witness our hands & seals this Nov 20th day 1838

test
George Overstreet

William his X mark Franklin

Joel Franklin"

The 1839 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following household:

Date of Receiving Lists	Names of Persons Owning Property 28 February 1839	White Tythes	Blacks	Horses Colts Mares &c
Apl 3rd	Peter M Wright	1		5

Riding Carriages	Stud Horses	Amount of Tax $ Cts
		.40

The 1839 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	Description of land March 1st 1839
Peter M Wright		1051	Poles On Bore Auger
do		125	On the Same
do		59	On the Same

Distance from the Court House	Value of Land pr Acre	Improvements added to the Land On Account of Buildings thereon	Total Value of Land	Amount of Tax On Land
17 SW	5.00		5.00	.01
15	2.00		250.00	.25
17 "	6.00		354.00	.36

The 1839 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Names of Owner	Residence of Owners	Estate whether in fee or Life	Numbers of Acres	Situation of Land
Peter M Wright	Bedford	Fee	268	Stanton

Distance from Court House	Bearing from Court House	Value of Land Per Acre	Value of Improvements	Value of Land Including Improvements
25	NE	2.50	200.00	670.00

Amount of Tax	Explanations of Alterations during the Preceding Year
.67	

The 1839 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, also listed Peter M. Wright in the Robert Hairston District with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate Whether for Life or in Fee	Number of Acres	Description of Land Where Situated
Peter M Wright			186	Blackwater River

Distance & bearing From the Court House	Value of Land pr Acre Including Buildings	Sum Added to Land on a/c of Buildings	Total Value of Land & Buildings	Amount of Tax
10 NE	5.00		930.00	.93

Explanation of Alterations
During the preceding year

Jno M Holland Exor of Peter Holland Decd 86 A from Young(?) Brooks

This record reflects the purchase of 186 acres of land by Franklin County Deed 15/480.

On May 25, 1839, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 28/54 Peter M. Wright acted as trustee on a deed of trust executed by Fleming Neighbours.

On August 7, 1839, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers George West executed his promissory note for $71.35 payable to Peter M. Wright:

"Due Peter M. Wright seventy one dollars & thirty five cents for value of him Received witness my hand & seal this August 7th day 1839

test

his
Demarcus X Fouts
mark

his
George X West
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Received of Mr George West twelve dollars in part of his note this May 5th day 1840

Peter M. Wright

Received of within Twelve dollars & gave a receipt for the same this May __ day 1840 Cr this bond by twenty five dollars paid Jany 20" 1841

West to note
$71.35"

On October 30, 1839, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 16/150 Peter M. Wright purchased 304 acres of land from John K. and Mary Ferguson:

"This Indenture made and entered into this thirtieth day of October in the year one thousand eight hundred & thirty nine between John K Ferguson & Mary his wife of the County of Monroe & State of Kentucky of the one part & Peter M Wright of County Bedford & State of Virginia of the other part: Witnesseth that for and in consideration of the sum of Five hundred Dollars in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged by them the said John K Ferguson Mary his ____ of the said Peter M Wright they have granted bargained & sold & by these presents do grant bargain sell unto him the said Peter M Wright a certain Tract or parcel of Land situate in the County of Franklin and State of Virginia & lying on South side of Staunton River & bounded as follows. Begining at

Mrs. Phelp's corner Post Oak on a path along her lines S 44 E 86 poles to Holerom's (?) corner a pile of Rocks on the Road along his line S 34 W 76 poles to stump in the Road S 12 E 14 poles to a dead White Oak S 44 W 108 poles to Brown's corner Post Oak S 55 W 56 poles to a Post Oak Stump corner to Holecoms __ Land at where Peters Store House is along the lines of the same West 26 poles to a Sowerwood near the Shop S 39 W 9 poles to Meadors corner White Oak alon his line N 78 W 104 poles Poplar at a Spring N 36 W 30 poles to a White Oak along Pearcys N 57 E 50 poles to a Chesnut N 32 W 47 poles to a Red Oak near a Spring N 17 W 35-1/2 poles to a Red Oak N 18 E 70 poles to a Spruce Pine (down) on the River at Hardy ford thence down the same as it meanders to Aringtons corner Red Oak by the clift off S 42 E 66 poles to a White Oak down by the Road alon the same as it meanders to Mrs. Phelps line near a old field along her line S 54 W 8 poles to Begining containing three hundred four acres be the same more or less. To have and to hold the above granted Land and premisses free from the last claim of themselves the said John K Ferguson & Mary his wife free from the just claim of them their heirs unto the said Peter M Wright his heirs & assigns forever & farther by these presents do warrant & forever defend a good & lawfull sought against the claim or claims of all persons whatsoever. In Witness whereof they the said John K Ferguson & Mary his wife have hereunto set their hands an seals the date as above written.

John K Ferguson
Polly Ferguson

Bedford County to wit;

We Mathew Pate and William Mead Justices of of the peace in the County of Bedford in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that John K Ferguson party to a certain Deed bearing date on the 30" day of October 1839 and hereto annexed, personally appeard before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to to be his act & Deed & desired us to certify said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Franklin in order that the said Deed may be recorded. Given under our hands & seals this 1st day of November 1839.

Mathew Pate JP.
William Mead JP.

Bedford County to wit:

We Mathew Pate & William Mead Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Mary Ferguson wife of John K Ferguson parties to a certain Deed for the conveyance of real Estate bearing date on the 30" day of October 1839 & hereto annexed personally appeard before us in our County aforesaid & being examined by us privily & apart from

her husband & having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her She the said Mary Ferguson acknowledged the same & declared that she had willingly signed sealed & delivered the same & that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands & seals this 1st day of November 1839.

Mathew Pate JP.
William Mead. JP.

In Franklin County Clerk's Office. November 4' 1839.

This Indenture of bargain and Sale between John K Ferguson & Polly his wife of the one part, and Peter M Wright, of the other part was exhibited into the said office and together with the certificates hereon endorsed admitted to record.

Teste.
Moses G. Carper C.FC."

On January 20, 1840, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Samuel Stoner, John Stoner, and William McDermed executed their promissory note for $300 payable to Peter M. Wright:

"$300 On Demand for Valu Reced We and Each of us do promise and bind our selves our his and assigns to pay unto Mathew Wright the Just and full Sum of Three Hundred dollars the Same is to Be Returned in Silver If Required Giving from under our hands and Seals this 22th day of January 1840

Samuel Stoner
John Stoner
Wm. McDermed

Cr by two hundred dollars this Sept. 29th 1843

Recevd of the within note Ninety two dollars & fifty Cents 26 Fey 1841"

The 1840 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following household:

Date of Receiving the Lists	Names of Persons Owning Property the last of February 1840	White Tythes	Blacks Over 12	Horses
Mch 25	Peter M Wright	1		4

Carriages &c	Stud Horses	Amount of Tax $ Cts

.32

The 1840 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	Description of the Land
Peter M Wright		1051	poles On Bever dam Cr
do		125¼	On Porters Mtn
do		59	On Bever dam Cr

Distance & Bearing from the Court House	Value of Land Buildings	Sum added to the Value of Land on Account of Buildings	Total Value of Land On Account of Buildings	Tax $ Cts	
17 S	5.00		5.00	.01	
15 W	1.50		187.87	.19	
17 SW	5.00		295.00	.30	

The 1840 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Names of Owner	Residence of Owners	Estate whether in fee or Life	Numbers of Acres	Residence of Land
Peter M Wright	Bedford	in fee	268	Stanton
ditto	"	"	304	"

Distance from Court House	Bearing from the Court House	Vallue of Land Per Acre	Vallue of Improvements	Vallue of Land Including Improvements
25	NE	4.00	200.00	1072.00
"	"	2.00	100.00	608.00

Amount of Tax	Expla of Alterations during the Preceding Year
1.08	
.61	fm John K Fergusson

This record reflects the purchase of 304 acres of land by Franklin County Deed 16/150.

The 1840 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M. Wright with the following household:

Names of Heads of Families	Free White Persons Males	Age	Free White Persons Females	Age
Peter M Wright	1	30-40	1	30-40
	1	15-20	2	10-15
	1	5-10	2	5-10
	3	0-5		

Free Colored Persons Male	Age	Free Colored Persons Female	Age	Slaves Males	Age	Slaves Females	Age

Number of Persons in each Family Employed in

Total	Mining	Agriculture	Commerce	Manufacture and trades	Navigation of the ocean	Navigation of canals lakes and rivers
11		2				

Learned professions and engineers	Pensioners for Revolutionary or Military Services included in the foregoing Names	Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane White Persons included in the Foregoing Deaf and Dumb Ages	No.	Blind Ages

Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane White Persons Included in the Foregoing [Continued]		Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane Colored Persons Included in the Foregoing			
Insane and Idiots		Deaf, Dumb, and Blind		Insane and Idiots	
Insane and idiots at public charge	Insane and idiots at private charge	Deaf & Dumb	Blind	Insane and idiots at private charge	Insane and idiots at public charge

Schools, &c.						
Universities or College	Number of Students	Academies & Grammar Schools	No. of Scholars	Primary and Common Schools	No. of Scholars	No. of Scholars at public charge

No. of white persons over 90 years of age in each family who cannot read or write

This record indicates a birth date of between 1800 and 1810 for Peter Meador Wright and 1810 and 1820 for Susan (James) Wright.

On December 25, 1840, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Brice Meador, Ewel Meador, Thomas Meador, and Ananias Meador executed their promissory note for $125 payable to Peter M. Wright:

> "On or before the 1st day of September next we or either of us promise to pay Peter M. Wright the just sum of one hundred & twenty five dollars for value of him Received Witness our hands & seals this December 25th day 1840
>
> Brice Meador
> Ewel Meador
> Thomas Meador
> Ananias Meador
>
> $75 December 25 day 1841
>
> Received of Brice Meador seventy five dollars in part of his note
>
> Peter M. Wright"

On January 20, 1841, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Peter M. Wright executed a receipt for partial payment of the George West note:

"$25. Received of Mr. George West twenty five dollars which is to go in part payment of his note given under my hand this January 20th day 1841

Peter M. Wright"

The 1841 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following household:

Date of Receiving the Lists	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	No. of White Tythes above 16	No. of Slaves above 12	No of horses &c
Mar 7th	Peter M Wright	1		4

Carriages whether 4 Wheeled or 2 Wheel'd Riding Carriages	Value of Carriages	Amount of Tax
	.50	

The 1841 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	Description or Situation of The Land
Peter M Wright	Bedford	1051	poles On Beverdam Cr
do		125¼	On Porters Mtn
do		59	On Beverdam Cr

Distance and Bearing from the Court House	Value of Land pr Acre Including Buildings	Sum added to the Value of the Land on account of Buildings	Total Value of Land on account of Buildings	Amount of tax on the Land
17 S	5.00		5.00	.01
15 W	1.50		187.19	.24
17 SW	5.00		295.00	.37

The 1841 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Peter Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence of Owners	Estate whether for Life or in fee	No of Acres of Land	Residence of Lands
Peter Wright	Bedford	in fee	268	Stanton
ditto	"	"	304	"

Distance from the Court House	Bearing from the Court House	Vallue of Land Per Acre	Vallue of Improvements	Vallue of Land Including Improvements	Amount of Tax	Expla of Alterations during the Preceding Year
25	NE	4.00	200.00	1072.00	1.34	
"	"	2.00	"	608.00	.76	

On August 27, 1841, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 29/384 Peter M. Wright purchased 50 acres of land from Vardiman and Ann Basham, Samuel and Milly Jones,

Jacob and Lucy Mongold, Elisha Hogan, John Hogan, Peter Hogan, Polly Frazure, Solomon and Elizabeth Harris, Peter and Susan Runcus, and James Hogan:

"This Indenture made and entered into this August 27th day 1841 between Vardiman Basham Ann his wife, Samuel Jones Milly his wife, Jacob Mongold Lucy his wife, Elisha Hogan, John Hogan, Peter Hogan, Polly Frazure, Solomon Harris, Elizabeth his wife, Peter Runcus his wife Susan, and James Hogan of the first part and Peter M. Wright of the County of Bedford and State of Virginia of the second part Witnesseth, that for and in consideration of the sum of fifty dollars to them in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath given, granted, bargained sold and confirmed and by these presents doth give, grant, bargain, sell and confirm unto Peter M. Wright his heirs and assigns forever a certain tract or parcel of land situate and being in the County of Bedford on the waters of Beaverdam creek and bounded by the lands of John Dent, William Lawhorn, Edmund Haynes & probably others it being the same tract of land owned by James Hogan deceased containing fifty acres be the same more or less. To have and to hold the aforesaid tract or parcel of land together with all the privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining unto him the said Peter M. Wright his heirs or assigns forever. The said Vardiman Basham Anna his wife, Samuel Jones Milly his wife, Jacob Mongold Lucy his wife, Elisha Hogan, John Hogan, Peter Hogan, Polly Frazure, Solomon Harris Elizabeth his wife, Peter Runcus Susan his wife and James Hogan doth covenant for themselves their heirs &c that they will forever warrant & defend the right and title of the aforesaid tract or parcel of land unto him the said Peter M. Wright his heirs and assigns forever against the claims or demands of themselves, their heirs and all manner of persons claiming by, through and under them & none other. In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals this the day and date first above written

Vardiman	his X mark	Basham	
Anna	her X mark	Basham	
Jacob X	his Mongold mark		
Lucy	her X mark	Mongold	

Botetourt County to Wit

We John W. Thompson and Nathan P. Suck Justices of the peace in and for the County aforesaid and State of Virginia do hereby certify that Jacob Mongold a party to a certain deed bearing date on the 27th August 1841 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our said County and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and desired us to certify said acknowledgement to the Clerk of Bedford County Court in order that the same may be recorded. We do further certify that Lucy Mongold wife of Jacob Mongold and parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 27th August 1841 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our said County and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her acknowledged the same to be her act and deed & declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it.

Given under our hands and seals this thirteenth day of September 1841

Jno. W. Thompson
Nathan P. Suck

Bedford County to Wit

We Matthew Pate and Paschal Buford Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid do hereby certify that Vardaman Basham a party to a certain deed bearing date on the 27th day of August 1841 & hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and desired us to certify said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Bedford in order that the same may be recorded. We do further certify that Anna Basham wife of Vardaman Basham and parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 27th day of August 1841 & hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband & having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her, she the said Anna Basham acknowledged the same to be her act and deed & declared that she had willingly signed, sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 26th day of November 1841.

Matthew Pate
Paschal Buford

At a Court held for Bedford County the 28th day of March 1842.

This Indenture of bargain and sale from Vardiman Basham & others to Peter M. Wright was produced in Court and together with the certificates thereto annexed ordered to be recorded.

Teste
Ro. C. Mitchell CBC"

On September 11, 1841, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 30/165 Peter M. Wright purchased _09 acres (identified below as 209 acres) of land allocated to Julia Compton:

"This Indenture made and entered into this 11" day of September 1841 between Isaih Compton and his wife Julia of the first part and Peter M. Wright of the second part. Witnesseth, that for and in consideration of the sum of twelve hundred dollars to them in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath given, granted, bargained, sold & confirmed and by these presents doth give, grant, bargain, sell, and confirm, unto Peter M. Wright his heirs and assigns forever, a certain tract or parcel of Land situate lying and being in the County of Bedford and State of Virginia and on Beaverdam Creek adjoining the land of William Holladay William Johnson and Others and it being the same tract of land that was deeded by William McGeorge to said Compton, and the same that said Compton now lives on containing _09 acres. To have and to hold the aforesaid tract or parcel of land, together with all priviledges and appertenances, thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining unto him the said Peter M. Wright his heirs, and assigns forever the said Isaih Compton & Julia his wife, doth covenant for themselves, their heirs &c that they will forever warrant and defend _ right and title of the aforesaid tract or parcel of land unto him the said Peter M. Wright his heirs and assigns forever against the claims or demands of all persons whatsoever. In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands & seals this the day and date above written

Isaih his X mark Compton

Teste John Claytor
James M. Wright
Henry M. Moseley

At a Court held for Bedford County at the Courthouse the 22nd day of November This Indenture of bargain and sale from Isaiah Compton and wife to Peter M. __ was produced in Court proven by the oath of John Claytor & Henry W. Moseley

____ thereto And thereafter In Bedford Clerks Office the 27" day of January 1843 ___ further proven by the oath of James M. Wright another subscribing witness thereto. ____ to record.

Teste
R S Mitchell C_"

On October 17, 1841, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 29/202 Peter M. Wright purchased 275 acres of land from Sally Medley:

"This Indenture made and entered into this 17th day of October 1841, between Sally Medley of the County of Bedford & State of Virginia of the one part, and Peter M. Wright of the County and State aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth, that for and in consideration of the sum of two thousand dollars current money of Virginia to her in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath given, granted bargained and sold and by these presents doth give, grant, bargain sell and confirm unto him the said Peter M. Wright his heirs or assigns forever, one certain tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in the County aforesaid and on the West Side of Beaverdam creek containing two hundred and seventy five acres be the same more or less and bounded as follows Viz Beginning at Peter M. Wrights corner white oak, thence along his line N. 78-1/2 E. 74-1/2 poles to a chesnut in Anderson Wheelers line on a branch and down as it meanders S. 70 E. 20 poles S. 60 E. 42 poles S. 40 E. 7 poles to a spanish oak near the branch, thence off S. 87 E. 24-1/2 poles S. 75 E. 8 poles S. 60 E. 28 poles crossing Beaverdam creek to a horn beam of the East bank, thence down the said creek as it meanders to a Sycamore a few steps above the mouth of a branch, thence crossing the creek and up the said branch as it meanders to a small hickory, thence S. 50 degrees W. 21 poles to a double persimmon on the road, thence down the road as it meanders to where the old line crossed the road, thence along John Wrights line S. 10 W. 36 poles to a white oak of a branch S. 88-1/2 W. 70 poles to a small hickory S. 56 W. 100 poles to Matthew Wrights corner on Greers branch, thence up the said branch as it meanders N. 9 E. 53 poles N. 20 W. 20 poles N. 5 W. 26 poles N. 13 E. 36 poles off N. 21 E. 36 poles to a persimmon in a lane between Matthew Wright and said Medley, thence N. 36 E. 64 poles to the road, the same course continued 56 poles to Peter M Wrights corner on Keiths branch, thence N. 29 E. 23-1/4 poles to the first station. To have and to hold the aforesaid tract or parcel of land together with all the privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining. And the said Sally Medley, herself her heirs &c the said tract of two hundred and Seventy five acres with all and singular the appurtenances and premises before mentioned unto him the said Peter M. Wright his heirs or assigns, free from the claim or claims of her the said Sally Medley her heirs &c

and of all & every person or persons whatsoever. In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals the date first written

Sally her X mark Medley

Bedford County to Wit

We William Mead and John Claytor Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid do hereby certify that Sally Medley party to a certain conveyance for real estate bearing date the 17th day of October 1841 and hereunto annexed, personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid, and acknowledged the same to be her act and deed & desired us to certify the same to the Clerk of the County Court of Bedford in order that the same may be recorded. Given under our hands & seals this 17th day of October 1841.

William Mead
Jno Claytor

At a Court held for Bedford County the 22nd day of November 1841.

This Indenture of bargain and sale from Sally Medley to Peter M. Wright was produced in Court and together with the certificate thereto annexed, ordered to be recorded.

Teste
Ro. C. Michell CBC"

The 1842 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following household:

Date of Receiving the Lists	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	No. of White Tythes above 16	No. of Slaves above 12	No of horses &c
Mar 25	Peter M Wright	1		9

Carriages whether 4 Wheeled or 2 Wheel'd riding Carriages	Value of Carriages	Amount of Tax
	1.12½	

The 1842 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	N of Acres	Description or Situation of the Land
Peter M Wright	Bedford	1051	poles On Bever Dam
do		125¼	On Porters Mtn
do		59	On Bever Dam Cr
do		209	On the Same
do		275	On the Same

Distance and Bearing from the Court House	Value of the Land Including Buildings pr Acre	Sum added to the Value of Land On account of Buildings	Total Value of Land On account of Buildings	Amount of Tax on the Land	
17 SW	5.00		5.00	.01	
15 "	1.50		187.19	.24	
17 "	5.00		295.00	.37	
15 SW	4.96	200	1036.64	1.20	of Josiah Comptons Ex
17 "	4.23	200	1163.25	1.46	of Sally Medlie

This record reflects the purchase of 209 acres of land by Bedford County Deed 30/165 and 275 acres of land by Bedford County Deed 29/202.

The 1842 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Peter Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence of Owners	Estate Whether for life	No of	Residence of Lands
Peter Wright	Bedford	in fee	268	Stanton
Ditto	"	"	304	"

Distance from the Court House	Bearing from the Court House	Value of Land Per Acre	Value of Improvement	Value of Land Including Improvements
25	NE	4.00	200.00	1072.00
"	"	2.00	"	608.00

Amount of Tax	Explanations of Alterations during the Preceding Year
1.34	
.76	

On February 3, 1842, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 30/141 Peter M. Wright and Susan Wright and John A. and Cybel Wright sold their interest in two tracts of land belonging to the estate of Matthew Wright to Joseph P. Wright:

> "This Indenture made and entered into the February 3rd day one thousand eight hundred and forty two between Peter M. Wright and Susan his wife, John A. Wright and Cybel his wife of the first part, and Joseph P. Wright all of the State of Virginia of the second part, Witnesseth, that for and in consideration of the sum of one thousand dollars to them in hand paid, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath bargained, sold, and confirmed, and by these presents doth bargain, sell, and confirm, unto him the said Joseph P. Wright all of our undivided interest in two tracts or parcels of land belonging to the estate of Matthew Wright Deceased, one of them lying in the County of Bedford and State of Virginia, it being the same tract of land that the said Matthew Wright resided on at the time of his death, and bounded by the lands of Abram Foutz, Isaac James, Matthew Pate, Peter M. Wright and others, the other tract lying and being in the County of Franklin adjoining the lands of Stephen Wood John Prator and Others it being the same tract of land that Elisha Barton has lived on for the last four years and is now occupied by William Amon &c the two tracts together is supposed to contain about eight hundred acres be it so or not. To have and to hold all of our interest as heirs of the said Matthew Wright Deceased in, and to the aforesaid two tracts of land together with all the priviledges and

appurtenances thereunto belonging, or in any wise appertaining, unto him, the said Joseph P. Wright his heirs and assigns forever. The said Peter M Wright and his wife Susan, John A Wright and Cybil his wife, do hereby covenant and agree with the said Joseph P. Wright to forever warrant and defend all their right and title in and to the aforesaid two tracts of land, together with all and every of the appertenances, free from the claims or demands of themselves, their heirs, or all manner of persons claiming by, through, or under them, and none other. In testimony whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and seals this the day and date above written

Signed, sealed, and	)	Peter M. Wright
delivered	)	Susan Wright
in presence of	)	John A. Wright
Joel Dent		her
Richard M. Anderson		Sybil X Wright
Austin Adkisson		mk

Botetourt County to wit

We Nathan P. Luck and George P. Taylor Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia, do hereby certify that John A. Wright a party to a certain deed bearing date on the 3rd day of February 1842, and hereto annexed, personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid, and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed, and desired us to certify the said acknowledgment to the Clerk of Bedford County in order that the said deed may be recorded. We do further certify that Sibyl Wright the wife of John A. Wright parties to the aforesaid deed hereto annexed, personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid, and being examined by us privily, and apart from her husband, and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her, the said Sibyl Wright acknowledged the same to be her act and deed, and that she wished not to retract it. Given under hands and seals this 6th day of December 1842.

Nathan P. Luck
Geo: P. Taylor

Bedford County to wit,

We Matthew Pate and John Claytor Justices of the peace in, and for the County aforesaid do hereby certify that Peter M. Wright party to a certain deed bearing date 3rd day of February 1842 and hereunto annexed, personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed, and desired us to certify the same to the Clerk of the County Court of

Bedford, in order that the same may be recorded. Given under our hands and seals this 25th day of June 1842.

Matthew Pate J.P.
John Claytor J.P.

Bedford County to wit:

We Matthew Pate and John Claytor Justices of the peace, in and for the County aforesaid, do hereby certify that Susan Wright party to a certain deed, bearing date 3rd day of February 1842, and hereunto annexed, personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid, and being examined privily and apart from her husband, and having said deed fully explained to her, acknowledged that she had willingly signed, sealed and delivered the same, and wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 25th day of June 1842.

Matthew Pate J.P.
Jno. Claytor J.P.

Bedford Clerks Office January 2nd 1843. This deed of bargain and sale from Peter M. Wright and wife and John A. Wright and wife, to Joseph P. Wright, was produced in Office and together with the Certificates thereto annexed, admitted to record.

Teste
Ro. C. Mitchell C.B.C."

The Division and Allotment of Matthew Wright's land dated May 7, 1842, and recorded at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 11/138 listed Peter M. Wright as one of his children:

". . . . Lot No 4

We alotte to Peter M Wright containing 42-3/4 acres of Land laid as follows Begining at a stake & pile of rocks in the dower line corner to Lot No 3 thence along the lines of said lot N 85 W 70 poles to pointer in James land and along his line N 14 E 34 poles to his corner stake the same course continue in all 94 poles to a maple on a branch corner to Lot No 5 & 7 along the line of Lot No 5 S 61 E 108 poles to a rock on Pates road & corner to the dower the along the lines of the dower S 74 W 14 pole to a small persimon bush S 29 W 58 poles to the Begining

Value of		$342
To receive of Lot No 2	$8	
& To receive of Lot No 9	25	33
		375 average

. . . ."

On June 15, 1842, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 18/69 Peter M. and Susan Wright sold 126 acres of land to Elijah Basham and Carter Piggin:

"This Indenture made and entered into this 15th day of June 1842 Between Peter M Wright & Susan his wife of the County of Bedford & State of Virginia of the first part, and Elijah Basham and Carter Peggin of the County of Franklin and State aforesaid of the second part; Witnesseth that for and in consideration of the sum of Six Hundred Dollars to them in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath given granted bargained & sold and by these presents doth give, grant bargain sell and confirm unto Elijah Bassam and Carter Peggin their heirs & assigns forever a certain tract or parcel of Land situate & lying in the County of Franklin on Staunton River and bounded as follows. Begining on Bruffs Branch in Carter Peggin's line S 24 W about 76 or 77 poles to a Pine S 25 E 68 poles to a white oak E 42 poles to a branch thence down the same as it meanders 94 poles to a Beach thence off S 46 E 56 poles to a branch thence down the same as it meanders to Staunton River thence up the River as it meanders to the mouth of Bluffs Branch thence up the branch as it meanders to the first station containing 126 acres be the same more or less. To Have and to hold the aforesaid tract or parcel of Land together with all the privileges & apurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise apertaining unto them the said Elijah Basham & Carter Peggins their heirs and assigns forever, the said Peter M Wright and his wife Susan doth covenant for themselves their heirs &c that they will forever warrant and defend the right and title of the aforesaid tract or parcel of Land unto them the said Elijah Basham & Carter Peggin their heirs and assigns forever against the lawful claim or demand of all persons whatsoever. In Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals the day and date above written.

Witness	Peter M Wright
Jno Clayton	Susan Wright
Samuel M Wright	

Bedford County To Wit:

We Matthew Pate and John Claytor Justices of the Peace in & for the County aforesaid do hereby certify that Peter M Wright party to a certain deed bearing date 15" day of June 1842 & hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid & acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and

desired us to certify the same to the Clerk of the County Court of Franklin in order that the same may be recorded. Given under our hands & seals this 25" day of June 1842.

Matthew Pate J. P.
Jno. Claytor J. P.

Bedford County To Wit:

We Matthew Pate and John Claytor Justices of the Peace in and for the County aforesaid do hereby certify that Susan Wright party to a certain deed bearing date 15" day of June 1842 & hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid & being examined privily & apart from her husband & having said deed fully explained to her acknowledged that she had willingly signed sealed & delivered the same & wished not to retract it. Given under our hands & seals this 25" day of June 1842.

Matthew Pate J. P.
Jno Claytor

At a court held for Franklin County the 2nd day of January 1843.

This Indenture of bargain and Sale between Peter M Wright and Susan his wife of the one part, and Elijah Basham and Carter Peggin of the other part was exhibited into Court and together with the certificates hereon endorsed ordered to be recorded.

Teste
Moses G. Carper CFC"

On June 15, 1842, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 18/465 Peter M. Wright and Susan Wright sold 140 acres of land to George Kasey:

"This Indenture made and entered into this June 15th day 1842 between Peter M. Wright and his wife Susan of the county of Bedford & State of Virginina of the first part and George Kasey of the County of and State of Va of the second part: Witnesseth the said Peter M Wright and his wife Susan doth give grant bargain & sell and by these presents doth give grant bargain sell and confirm unto the said George Kasey for the sum of one thousand dollars to them in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged a certain tract or parcel of land situate & lying in the County of Franklin and bounded as follows viz: Begining at a Red oak stump on the South bank of Staunton river thence off S 53 E 66 poles to a Hickory S 15º E 60 poles to a Pine N 44 W 128 poles to a white oak on River thence up the river as it meanders to Carter Peggin's corner

off thence along his line S 44º E 128 poles to a Hickory S 24º W a short distance to Bluffs branch thence down the same as it meanders to Staunton river thence up the river as it meanders to the begining, supposed to contain about 140 acres be the same more or less. To have and to hold the aforesaid tract or parcel of land together with all the priviledges & apurtinances thereunto belonging or in any wise apertaining unto him the said George Kasey forever. The said Peter M Wright & his wife Susan doth covenant for themselves their heirs and so fourth that they will forever warrant and defend the right and title of the aforesaid tract or parcel of land unto him the said George Kasey his heirs and assigns forever against the lawful claims on demands of all persons or manner of persons whatever. In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals the day and date above written.

Witness
Jno Claytor
James M Wright.

Peter M Wright
Susan Wright

Bedford County to wit

We Matthew Pate & John Claytor Justices of the peace in & for the County aforesaid do hereby certify that Peter M Wright party to a certain deed bearing date 15" June 1842 & hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid & acknowledged the same to be his act & deed & desired us to certify the same to the Clerk of the County Court of Franklin in order that the same may be recorded. Given under our hands & seals this 25" day of June 1842.

Matthew Pate J P
Jno. Claytor J P

Bedford County To Wit:

We Matthew Pate & John Claytor, Justices of the peace in & for the County aforesaid do hereby certify that Susan Wright party to a certain deed bearing date 15" day of June 1842 & hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our county aforesaid & being examined by us priviliy & apart from her husband & having said deed fully explained to her acknowledged that she had willingly signed sealed & delivered the same & wished not to retract it. Given under our hands & seals this 25" day of June 1842.

Matthew Pate J P.
Jno Claytor J P.

In the Clerks Office of Franklin County Court the 9" day of October 1844.

This Indenture of bargain and sale between Peter M Wright and Susan his wife of the one part, and George Kasey of the other part, was exhibited into the said Office and together with the certificates hereon endorsed admitted to record.

Teste
Moses G. Carper C. F. C."

On June 21, 1842, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 29/545 Peter M. Wright and Susan Wright sold 125 acres of land to Lemuel Thomas:

"This Indenture made and entered into this June 21st day 1842 between Peter M. Wright and his wife Susan of the County of Bedford and State of Virginia of the first part and Lemuel Thomas of the County and State aforesaid of the second part, Witnesseth, that for and in consideration of the sum of two hundred dollars to them in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath given granted, bargained, sold and confirmed and by these presents doth give, grant, bargain, sell, confirm and deliver unto Lemuel Thomas his heirs and assigns forever a certain tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in the County of Bedford on the North side of Porters Mountain and on both sides of Glove Creek and bounded as follows. Beginning at a chesnut oak on Smelser's path in Davis or Williams line, thence off N. 49-3/4 W. at 100 poles +ing Glove creek the course continued passing through a lane 150 poles to an elbow in said line thence N. 66-1/2 W. 82 poles to a double chesnut on the mountain, thence along Robertson's line S. 4 E. 143 poles to Lamonts corner maple on Glove Creek, thence S. 45-1/2 E. 87 poles to pointers on Smelsers path in Davis's line, thence along his line N. 60-3/4 E. 26 poles to a chesnut N. 49 E 49-1/2 poles to a red oak, thence N. 65-1/2 E. 66 poles to the first Station containing One hundred and twenty five acres. To have and to hold the aforesaid tract or parcel of land together with all the privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining unto him the said Lemuel Thomas his heirs and assigns forever. The said Peter M. Wright & Susan his wife doth covenant for themselves their heirs &c that they will forever warrant and defend the right and title of the aforesaid tract or parcel of land unto him the said Lemuel Thomas his heirs and assigns forever against the lawful claims or demands of all persons whatsoever. In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and affixed our Seals this the day and date above written

Signed in presence of

Peter M. Wright
Susan Wright

Bedford County to Wit

We Matthew Pate and John Claytor Justices of the peace in and for the County of Bedford, do hereby certify that Susan Wright a party to the within deed bearing date the 21st June 1842 and hereunto annexed, personally appeared before us in our said County and having said deed fully explained to her privily and apart from her husband acknowledged that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 25th day of July 1842

Matthew Pate J.P.
Jno. Claytor J.P.

Bedford County to Wit

We Matthew Pate and John Claytor Justices of the peace in & for the County aforesaid do hereby certify that Peter M. Wright party to a certain deed bearing date 21st June 1842 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and desired us to certify the same to the Clerk of the County Court of Bedford in order that the same may be recorded. Given under our hands and seals this 25" day of June 1842.

Matthew Pate J.P.
Jus. Claytor J.P.

At a Court held for Bedford County the 25th day of July 1842.

This Indenture of bargain and sale from Peter M. Wright and wife to Lemuel Thomas, was produced in Court and together with the certificates thereto annexed ordered to be recorded.

Teste
Ro. C. Mitchell CBC"

On August 24, 1842, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 30/36 Peter M. Wright executed a deed of conveyance for the property as to which he was trustee from Deed 28/54.

The 1843 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following household:

Date	Names of Persons Owning Property	White Tythes	Blacks	Horses	No Carriages
Apl 23	Peter M Wright	2		10	

Carriages	Valuation of Do $	Tax on Do $ Cts	Watches Description	Tax on Do $ Cts	Clocks & Descrip-tion Do $ Cts	Tax on Do $ Cts

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		2.12	

The 1843 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	No of Acres	Description or Situation of the Land
Peter M Wright		1051	Poles on B. Dam
do		59	On the Same
do		209	On the Same
do		275	On the Same
do		50	On the Same
do		114½	On the Same

Distance & Bearing from the Court House	Value of Land pr Acre	Sun added to the Land On acct of Buildings	Total Value of Land On a/c of Buildings	Amount of Tax on the Land	
17 SW	5.00		5.00	.01	
17 W	5.00		295.00	.30	
15 SW	4.96	200	1036.64	1.56	
17 "	4.23	200	1163.25	1.75	
18 "	2.00		100.00	.15	of Jas. Hogan's Est
20 "	5.50		232.00	.36	

This record reflects the sale of 125 acres of land by Bedford County Deed 29/545 and the purchase of 50 acres of land by Bedford County Deed 29/384.

The 1843 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Peter Wright with the following property:

Name of Owners	Residence	Estate whether held in fee or Life	No of Acres	Description of the Land as to water Courses Mountains & Contiguous Tracts
Peter Wright	Bedford	In fee	162	Stanton
Ditto	"	"	304	"

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Vallue of Land Per Acre	Sum added on account of Buildings	Total Vallue of of Land & Buildings	Amount of Tax on ____ Tract at
20 NE	4.00	200.00	648.00	.98
"	2.00	"	608.00	.92

Explanations of Alterations during the Preceding Year for Whom Transferred

This record reflects the sale of 126 acres of land by Franklin County Deed 18/69, although the amount of land sold was shown as 106 acres rather than 126 acres.

On April 24, 1843, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 30/245 Peter M. Wright purchased 7-1/2 acres of land from a Sheriff's tax sale:

> "This Indenture made this 24th day of April 1843, between Robert C. Mitchell clerk of the county Court of Bedford of the one part, and Peter M. Wright of the said county of the other part; whereas a certain tract of land, lying in the county of Bedford on the head waters of the north fork of Goose Creek belonging to John Dillard alias John Dotty and described on the books of the commissioner of the Revenue for the northern District of said County as the lands of the said John Dillard as aforesaid on the head waters of the north fork of Goose Creek containing two hundred & twenty five acres, was, pursuant to the acts of

assembly in such cases made and provided, returned by the Sheriff of said County as delinquent for the now payment of the taxes due thereon to the Commonwealth for the year 1837 and whereas Thomas Mead deputy for John L. Cobbs Sheriff of the said County of Bedford, in pursuance of the provisions of the act of assembly, passed 10th March 1832, entitled "an act concerning delinquent and forfeited lands and providing for the Sale of lands returned delinquent hereafter for the non payment of taxes," and of the act entitled, "An act further to extend the time of redemption of lands and lots returned delinquent for the non payment of taxes West of the Alleghany mountains and for other purposes," passed 27th February 1835, did on the 26th day of October 1840 proceed to sell as much of the said tract of two hundred and twenty five acres, as would satisfy the taxes aforesaid due thereon, with five per cent commission to the said Sheriff for his trouble in making sale of the same, at which sale the said Peter M. Wright became the purchaser of seven and one half acres, parcel thereof at the price of twenty two cents as appears by the list of the lands and lots sold by said Thomas Mead Deputy Sheriff as aforesaid and returned by him to the clerks office of the said county of Bedford pursuant to the provisions of the 17th Section of the said act first above recited and whereas the said Peter M. Wright has pursuant to the provisions of the 21st section of the said act first above recited, caused the said Seven and one half acres of land to be surveyed and laid off by the county Surveyor of the said county and a fair plat and certificate of said Survey having been returned to the court of the said County and by them examined and found correctly made pursuant to the said act of assembly, was by the said court ordered to be recorded, according to which plat and survey the said seven and one half acres of land is situated on the head waters of the north fork of Goose creek (in said County) and is bounded as follows, Viz: Beginning at a chesnut and a small chesnut oak in Cofer's line near a branch thence off new lines N 34-3/4 E 28 poles to pointers near a hollow N 55-1/4 W 43 poles to pointers near the top of a ridge S 34-3/4 W 28 poles to a small hickory and dogwood in Cofer's line thence along his line S 55-1/4 E 43 poles to the beginning. Now therefore this indenture witnesseth, that the said Robert C. Mitchell, clerk of the said County Court, for and in consideration of the premises and of the sum of one dollar to him in hand paid by the said Peter M. Wright at and before the sealing and delivery of these presents, and by virtue of, and in pursuance of the authority vested in him by the said acts of assembly, hath, and by these presents doth give, grant, sell and confirm, unto the said Peter M. Wright the before mentioned tract or parcel of land containing as aforesaid Seven and one half acres, be the same more or less. To have and to hold the said land and premises, with the appurtenances thereunto belonging unto the said Peter M. Wright his heirs and assigns forever free from the claims of him the said Robert C. Mitchell clerk as aforesaid, or his heirs, and the said Robert C. Mitchell clerk as aforesaid, doth covenant, grant and agree to warrant and defend the title of the said land, free from the claims of himself, and his heirs, but against the claims of no other person or persons. In testimony

whereof the said Robert C. Mitchell clerk of the said county court of Bedford has hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Robert C. Mitchell Clerk

At a Court held for Bedford County the 24th day of April 1843.

This deed from Robert C. Mitchell clerk to Peter M. Wright conveying land sold for the non payment of taxes, was produced in court, acknowledged by said Mitchell and ordered to be recorded

Teste
Ro. C. Mitchell CBC

April 15th 1843. Surveyed for Peter M. Wright 7-1/2 acres of land (sold as delinquent for the non payment of taxes for the year 1837 it being a part of 225 acres taxed in the name of John Dillard (alias John Dottey) situate in Bedford County on the head waters of the North fork of Goose Creek and bounded as follows, (Viz) Beginning at a chesnut and a small chesnut oak in Cofer's line near a branch thence off new lines N 34-3/4 E 28 poles to pointers near a hollow N 55-1/4 W. 43 poles to pointers near the top of a ridge S 34-3/4 W. 28 poles to a small hickory and dogwood in Cofer's line thence along his line S. 55-1/4 E. 43 poles to the beginning includin no improvements except the bigg sinck hole.

By Thos Mead Sur B.C.

At a Court held for Bedford County the 24th day of April 1843

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Robert C. Mitchell Clerk

At a Court held for Bedford County the 24th day of April

This deed from Robert C. Mitchell Clerk to Peter M.
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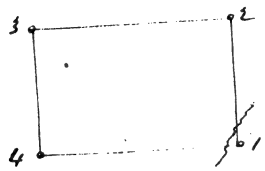
recorded.

Teste

Ro. C. Mitchell CBC



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Teste
Ro. C. Mitchell CBC"

On April 24, 1843, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 30/250 Peter M. Wright purchased 19 acres of land from a Sheriff's tax sale:

"This Indenture made this 24th day of April 1843 between Robert C. Mitchell clerk of the County Court of Bedford of the one part, and Peter M. Wright of the said county of the other part, whereas a certain tract of land lying in the County of Bedford on both sides of Beaver dam creek belonging to Cimgan and Williams and described on the books of the commissioner of the Revenue for the southern District of said county, as the lands of Cimgan and Williams on both sides of Beaver dam creek containing two hundred and twenty acres, was, pursuant to the acts of assembly in such cases made and provided returned by the Sheriff of said county as delinquent for the non payment of the taxes due thereon to the commonwealth for the years 1836 and 1837. And whereas Thomas Mead deputy for John L. Cobbs Sheriff of the said county of Bedford in pursuance of the provisions of the act of assembly, passed 10th March 1832, entitled "an act concerning delinquent and forfeited lands and providing for the sale of lands returned delinquent hereafter for the non payment of taxes" and of the act entitled "An act further to extend the time of redemption of lands and lots returned delinquent for the non payment of taxes west of the Alleghany mountains and for other purposes" passed 27th February 1835 did on the 26th day of October 1840, proceed to sell so much of the said tract of two hundred and twenty acres as would satisfy the taxes aforesaid due thereon with five per cent commission to the said Sheriff for his trouble in making sale of the same, at which sale the said Peter M. Wright became the purchaser of nineteen acres, parcel thereof at the price of one dollar and thirty three cents as appears by the list of the lands and lots sold by said Thomas Mead deputy Sheriff as aforesaid and returned by him to the Clerks office of the said county of Bedford, pursuant to the provisions of the 17th section of the said act first above recited and whereas the said Peter M. Wright has pursuant to the provisions of the 21st Section of the said act first above recited, caused the said nineteen acres of land to be surveyed and laid off by the County Surveyor of the said County, and a fair platt and certificate of the said survey having been returned to the court of the said county, and by them examined & found correctly made pursuant to the said act of assembly, was, by the said court ordered to be recorded, according to which plat and survey the said nineteen acres of land is situated on both sides of Beaver dam Creek and bounded as follows Viz: Beginning at George West's

corner black oak standing on the south side of said creek represented on the plat at figure 1 thence off new lines from 1 to 2 &c N. 48 W. 24 poles to a stake N. 42 E. 7 poles to a post oak N. 48 W. 10-1/2 poles to a red oak stump S. 42 W. 25 poles xing the creek to a small chesnut on a steep hill side at 48 W. 52 poles to a chesnut oak on the side of a hill N. 42 E. at 18 poles xing the creek in all 43-1/2 poles to a small red oak S. 48 E. 87 poles to pointers in West's line thence along his line S. 41-3/4 W. xing the creek 25-1/2 poles to the begeinning. Now therefore this indenture witnesseth that the said Robert C. Mitchell clerk of the said county court for and in consideration of the premises, and of the sum of one dollar to him in hand paid by the said Peter M Wright at and before the ensealing and delivery of these presents, and by virtue of, and in pursuance of the authority vested in him by the said acts of assembly, hath and by these presents doth give, grant, sell and confirm unto the said Peter M. Wright the before mentioned tract or parcel of land, containing as aforesaid nineteen acres, be the same more or less. To have and to hold the said land and premises with the appurtenances thereunto belonging unto the said Peter M. Wright his heirs and assigns forever, free from the claims of him the said Robert C. Mitchell clerk as aforesaid or his heirs and the said Robert C. Mitchell clerk as aforesaid doth covenant, grant and agree to warrant and defend the title of the said land free from the claims of himself and his heirs but against the claims of no other person or persons. In testimony whereof the said Robert C. Mitchell clerk of the said County Court of Bedford has hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first written.

Robert C. Mitchell Clerk

At a Court held for Bedford County the 24th day of April 1843

This deed from Robert C. Mitchell clerk to Peter M. Wright conveying land sold for the non payment of taxes, was produced in court, acknowledged by said Mitchell and ordered to be recorded.

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Ro. C. Mitchell CBC

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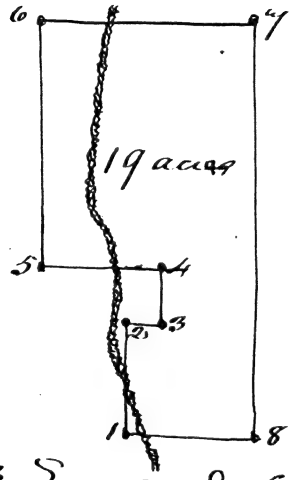

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April 14th 1843 Surveyed for Peter M Wright 19 acres of land (sold as delinquent for the non payment of the taxes for the years 1836 & 1837 it being a part of 220 acres taxed in the name of Cimgan & Williams) situate in Bedford County on both sides of Beaver dam creek and bounded as follows (Viz) Beginning at George West's corner black oak standing on the South side of said creek represented on the plat at figure 1 thence off new lines from 1 to 2 &c N 48 W 24 poles to a stake N. 42 E. 7 poles to a post oak N. 48 W. 10-1/2 poles to a red oak stump S. 42 W. 25 poles xing the creek to a small chesnut on a steep hill side N. 48 W. 52 poles to a chesnut oak on the side of a hill at 42 E. at 18 poles xing the creek in all 43-1/2 poles to a small red oak S. 48 E 87 poles to pointers in West's line thence along his line S. 41-3/4 W. xing the creek 25-1/2 poles to the beginning.

By Thos Mead Sur B.C.

At a Court held for Bedford County the 24th day of April 1843.

This plat and survey of nineteen acres of land (part of 220 acres taxed in the name of Cimgham & Williams sold for the non payment of taxes and purchased by Peter M. Wright, was produced in court, inspected, confirmed and ordered to be recorded.

Teste
Ro. C. Mitchell CBC"

On April 24, 1843, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 30/255 Peter M. Wright purchased 14 acres of land from a Sheriff's tax sale:

"This Indenture made this 24th day of April 1843 between Robert C. Mitchell clerk of the county court of Bedford of the one part, and Peter M. Wright of the said county of the other part; whereas a certain tract of land lying in the county of Bedford on the waters of Sandy run a fork of Fallen creek of Staunton river belonging to John Cundiff's estate and described on the books of the commissioner of the Revenue for the Southern District of said county as the lands of John Cundiff's estate, on the waters of Sandy run a fork of Fallen creek of Staunton river containing fifty acres, was pursuant to the acts of assembly in such cases made and provided, returned by the Sheriff of said county as delinquent for the non payment of the taxes due thereon to the commonwealth for the years 1835 and 1837 and whereas Thomas Mead Deputy for John L. Cobbs Sheriff of the said county of Bedford in pursuance of the provisions of the Act of assembly passed 10th March 1832, entitled "An act concerning delinquent and forfeited lands and providing for the sale of lands returned delinquent hereafter for the non payment of taxes" and of the act entitled "An act further to extend the time of redemption of lands and lots returned delinquent for the non

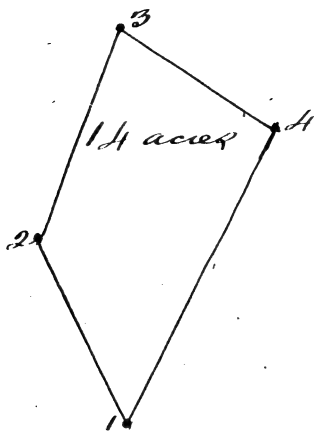
payment of taxes west of the Alleghany mountains, & for other purposes", passed 27th February 1835, did on the 26" day of October 1840, proceed to sell as much of the said tract of fifty acres, as would satisfy the taxes aforesaid, due thereon with five per cent commission to the said Sheriff for his trouble in making sale of the same, at which sale the said Peter M. Wright became the purchaser of fourteen acres parcel thereof at the price of twenty two cents as appears by the list of the lands and lots sold by said Thomas Mead Deputy Sheriff as aforesaid and returned by him to the clerks office of the said County of Bedford, pursuant to the provisions of the 17th section of the said act first above recited and whereas the said Peter M. Wright has pursuant to the provisions of the 21st Section of the said act first above recited, caused the said fourteen acres of land to be surveyed and laid off by the County Surveyor of the said County, and a fair plat and certificate of said Survey having been returned to the Court of the said County, and by them examined and found correctly made pursuant to the said act of assembly, was by the said court ordered to be recorded, according to which plat and survey the said fourteen acres of land is situated on the waters of Sandy run a fork of Fallen creek of Staunton river (in said County) and is bounded as follows, Viz; & Beginning at Frailing's corner a small pine represented on the plat at figure 1 thence from 1 to 2 &c along Pegram's line N. 16 W 45 poles to a small chesnut off new dividing lines N. 31 E. 49 poles to a black oak near a branch S. 47 E xing a road 40 poles to pointers in Frailing's line near said road thence along Frailing's line S. 37 W. 72 poles to the beginning. Now therefore this indenture witnesseth that the said Robert C. Mitchell clerk of the said county court, for and in consideration of the premises and of the sum of one dollar to him in hand paid by the said Peter M. Wright at and before the sealing and delivery of these presents, and by virtue of, and in pursuance of the authority vested in him by the said Acts of assembly, hath, and by these presents doth give, grant, sell and confirm unto the said Peter M. Wright the before mentioned tract or parcel of land containing as aforesaid fourteen acres, be the same more or less. To have & to hold the said land and premises, with the appurtenances thereunto belonging unto the said Peter M. Wright his heirs and assigns forever, free from the claims of him the said Robert C. Mitchell clerk as aforesaid, or his heirs, and the said Robert C. Mitchell clerk as aforesaid doth covenant grant and agree, to warrant and defend the title of the said land, free from the claims of himself, and his heirs, but against the claims of no other person or persons. In testimony whereof the said Robert C. Mitchell clerk of the said county court of Bedford, has hereunto set his hand & seal the day and year first above written.

Robeert C. Mitchell Clerk

At a Court held for Bedford County the 24th day of April 1843. This deed from Robert C. Mitchell clerk to Peter M. Wright, conveying land sold for the non

payment of taxes, was produced in court acknowledged by said Mitchell and ordered to be recorded.

Teste
Ro. C. Mitchell CBC



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By Thos Mead Sur

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Robert C. Mitchell clerk of the County Court of Bedfor
Dud ... Elijah C. Cundiff of the said County of

April 14th 1843. Surveyed for Peter M. Wright 14 acres of land sold as delinquent for the non payment of taxes for the years 1835 & 1837 it being a part of 50 acres taxed in the name of John Cundiff's estate situate in Bedford County on the waters of Sandy run a fork of Fallen creek of Staunton river and bounded as follows (Viz) Beginning at Frailing's corner a small pine represented on the plat at figure 1 thence from 1 to 2 &c along Pegram's line N. 16 W. 45 poles to a small chesnut off new dividing lines N. 31 E 49 poles to a black oak near a branch S. 47 E. xing a road 40 poles to pointers in Frailing's line near said road thence along Frailing's line S. 37 W. 72 poles to the beginning, including no improvements.

By Thos Mead Sur BC

At a Court held for Bedford County the 24th day of April 1843.

This plat and survey of fourteen acres (part of 50 acres taxes in the name of John Cundiff's estate) sold for the non payment of taxes and purchased by Peter M. Wright, was produced in court, inspected, confirmed and ordered to be recorded.

Teste
Ro. C. Mitchell CBC"

On April 24, 1843, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 30/262 Peter M. Wright purchased 75 acres of land from a Sheriff's tax sale:

"This Indenture made this 24th day of April 1843 between Robert C. Mitchell Clerk of the County Court of Bedford of the one part, and Peter M. Wright of the said County of the other part; whereas a certain tract of land lying in the County of Bedford on the waters of Fallen Creek of Staunton River belonging to Edward Pegram and described on the books of the Commissioner of the Revenue for the Southern District of said County as the lands of Edward Pegram on the waters of Fallen Creek of Staunton River containing one hundred acres, was, pursuant to the acts of assembly in such cases made and provided, returned by the Sheriff of said county as delinquent for the non payment of the taxes due thereon to the Commonwealth for the years 1835 & 1836 and 1837, and whereas Thomas Mead deputy for John L. Cobbs Sheriff of the said County of Bedford in pursuance of the provisions of the act of assembly, passed 10th March 1832, entitled "An act concerning delinquent and forfeited lands and providing for the sale of lands returned delinquent hereafter for the non payment of taxes" and of the act entitled "An act further to extend the time of redemption of lands and lots returned delinquent for the non payment of taxes west of the Alleghany mountains and for other purposes" passed 27th February 1835, did on the 26th day of October 1840 proceed to sell so much of the said tract of one hundred

acres, as would satisfy the taxes aforesaid due thereon, with five per cent commission to the said Sheriff for his trouble in making sale of the same at which sale the said Peter M. Wright became the purchaser of Seventy five acres, parcel thereof at the price of fifty cents as appears by the list of the lands and lots sold by said Thomas Mead Deputy Sheriff as aforesaid, and returned by him to the Clerks office of the said County of Bedford, pursuant to the provisions of the 17th Section of the said act first above recited and whereas the said Peter M. Wright has pursuant to the provisions of the 21st Section of the said act first above recited, caused the said Seventy five acres of land to be surveyed and layed off by the County Surveyor of the said County, and a fair platt and certificate of the said survey having been returned to the court of the said County, and by them examined and found correctly made pursuant to the said act of assembly, was by the said Court ordered to be recorded, according to which plat & survey the said Seventy five acres of land is situated on the waters of Fallen creek of Staunton River & bounded as follows. Viz: Beginning at Frailing's corner pine represented on the plat at figure 1 thence along Cundiff's or Bramblatt's line from 1 to 2 &c N. 16-1/2 W. 35 poles to pointers in said line off new line N. 74 W. 111 poles to pointers in Horn's line thence along Horn's line S. 22 W. 143 poles to a pine S. 77-3/4 E. 43 poles to a white oak N. 61-1/4 E. 70-1/2 poles to a pine thence with Preston's lines N. 48-3/4 E. 39 poles to a black oak S. 66-3/4 E. 86 poles to a pine N. 49 W. 57-1/2 poles to the beginning. Now therefore this indenture witnesseth, that the said Robert C. Mitchell Clerk of the said County Court, for and in consideration of the premises, and of the sum of one dollar to him in hand paid by the said Peter M. Wright at & before the ensealing and delivery of these presents, and by virtue of, and in pursuance of the authority vested in him by the said acts of assembly, hath, and by these presents doth give, grant, sell and confirm unto the said Peter M. Wright the before mentioned tract or parcel of land, containing as aforesaid seventy five acres, be the same more or less. To have and to hold the said land and premises with the appurtenances thereunto belonging unto the said Peter M. Wright his heirs and assigns forever, free from the claims of him the said Robert C. Mitchell clerk as aforesaid or his heirs, and the said Robert C. Mitchell clerk as aforesaid doth covenant grant and agree to warrant and defend the title of the said land free from the claims of himself and his heirs but against the claims of no other person or persons.

In testimony whereof the said Robert C. Mitchell Clerk of the said County Court of Bedford has hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first written.

Robert C. Mitchell Clerk

At a Court held for Bedford County the 24" day of April 1843. This deed from Robert C. Mitchell Clerk to Peter M. Wright, conveying land sold for the non

payment of taxes was produced in Court acknowledged by said Mitchell and ordered to be recorded.

Teste
Ro. C. Mitchell CBC

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In testimony whereof the said Robert C. Mitchell
of the said County Court of Bedford has hereunto s
hand and seal the day and year first written.

Robert C. Mitchell (L.S.)

At a Court held for Bedford County the 24th day of
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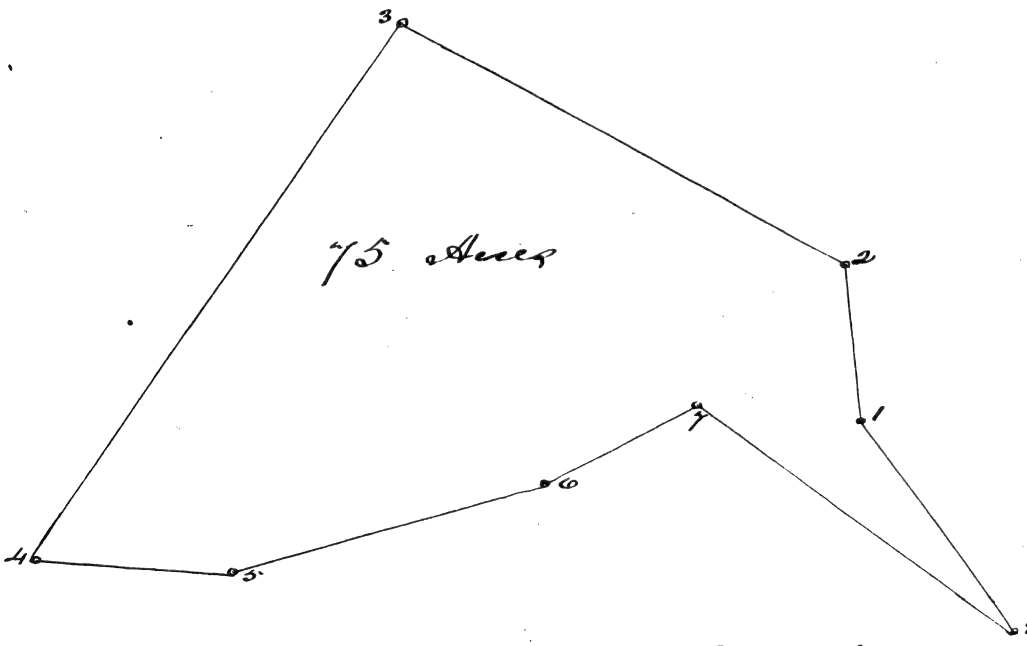
ordered to be recorded.

Teste

Ro. C. Mitchell Clk



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April 11th 1843. Surveyed for Peter M Wright 75 acres of land (sold as delinquent for the non payment of taxes for the year 1835 & 1836 and 1837 it being part of 100 acres taxed in the name of Edward Pegram) situate in Bedford County on the waters of Fallen creek of Staunton River and bounded as follows (Viz) Beginning at Frailing's corner pine represented on the plat at figure 1 thence along Cundiffs or Bramblatts line from 1 to 2 &c. N. 16-1/2 W. 35 poles to pointers in said line off new line N. 74 W. 111 poles to pointers in Horn's line thence along Horn's line S. 22 W. 143 poles to a pine S. 77-3/4 E. 43 poles to a white oak N. 61-3/4 E. 70-1/2 poles to a pine thence with Preston's lines N. 48-3/4 E. 39 poles to a black oak S. 66-3/4 E. 86 poles to a pine N. 49 W. 57-1/2 poles to the beginning, no improvements on the land.

By Thos Mead Sur B.C.

At a Court held for Bedford County the 24th day of April 1843

This plat and survey of Seventy five acres (part of a tract of 100 acres taxed in the name of Edward Pegram) sold for the non payment of taxes, and purchased by Peter M. Wright, was produced in Court inspected confirmed and ordered to be recorded.

Teste
Ro. C. Mitchell CBC"

On April 24, 1843, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 30/265 Peter M. Wright purchased 88 acres of land from a Sheriff's tax sale:

"This Indenture made this 24th day of April 1843, between Robert C. Mitchell Clerk of the County Court of Bedford of the one part, and Peter M. Wright of the said County of the other part; whereas a certain tract of land lying in the County of Bedford, on the main western road, belonging to the estate of Thomas Miller deceased, and described on the books of the Commissioner of the Revenue for the District of said County, as the lands of Thomas Miller's estate on the main western road, adjoining the lands of John P. Grey containing eighty eight acres, was, pursuant to the acts of assembly in such cases made and provided, returned by the Sheriff of the said County as delinquent for the non payment of taxes due thereon to the Commonwealth for the year 1835 and whereas Thomas Mead Deputy for John L. Cobbs Sheriff of the said County of Bedford in pursuance of the provisions of the act of assembly passsed 10th March 1832 entitled "An act concerning delinquent and forfeited lands and providing for the sale of lands returned delinquent hereafter for the non payment of taxes" and of the act entitled "An act further to extend the time of redemption of lands and lots returned delinquent for the non payment of taxes west of the Alleghany mountains, and for other purposes," passed 27th February 1835, did on the 26th

day of October 1840, proceed to sell so much of the said tract of eighty eight acres as would satisfy the taxes aforesaid due thereon, with five per cent commission to the said Sheriff for his trouble in making sale of the same and there being no person present willing to pay said taxes and commission for a portion of said land, the said Peter M. Wright became the purchaser of the entire tract of eighty eight acres, at the price of forty cents, as appears by the list of the lands and lots sold by said Thomas Mead Deputy Sheriff as aforesaid, and returned by him to the Clerks Office of the said County of Bedford, pursuant to the provisions of the 17th Section of the said act first above recited Now therefore this indenture witnesseth, that the said Robert C. Mitchell clerk of the said county court, for and in consideration of the premises and of the sum of one dollar to him in hand paid by the said Peter M. Wright at and before the ensealing and delivery of these presents, and by virtue of, and in pursuance of the authority vested in him by the said acts of assembly, hath, and by these presents doth give, grant, sell and confirm, unto the said Peter M. Wright the before mentioned tract or parcel of land, containing as aforesaid eighty eight acres be the same more or less. To have and to hold the said land & premises with the appurtenancees thereunto belonging unto the said Peter M. Wright his heirs and assigns forever, free from the claims of him the said Robert C. Mitchell clerk as aforesaid or his heirs, and the said Robert C. Mitchell clerk as aforesaid doth covenant, grant and agree to warrant and defend the title of the said land free from the claims of himself and his heirs, but against the claims of no other person or persons. In testimony whereof the said Robert C. Mitchell Clerk of the said County Court of Bedford has hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Robert C. Mitchell Clerk

At a Court held for Bedford County the 24th day of April 1843. This deed from Robert C. Mitchell Clerk to Peter M. Wright conveying land sold for the non payment of taxes, was produced in Court acknowledged by said Mitchell and ordered to be recorded.

Teste
Ro. C. Mitchell CBC"

On April 24, 1843, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 30/267 Peter M. Wright purchased 7 acres of land from a Sheriff's tax sale:

"This Indenture made this 24th day of April 1843 between Robert C. Mitchell Clerk of the County Court of Bedford of the one part, and Peter M. Wright of the said County of the other part; whereas a certain tract or lot of land, lying in the County of Bedford, on Goose Creek belonging to James Wilson, and described on the books of the Commissioner of the Revenue for the Northern District of

said County as the lands of "James Wilson, on Goose creek, adjoining James Read, containing seven acres" was pursuant to the acts of assembly in such cases made and provided, returned by the Sheriff of the said County as delinquent for the non payment of taxes due thereon to the Commonwealth, for the year 1837 and whereas Thomas Mead deputy for John L. Cobbs Sheriff of the said County of Bedford in pursuance of the provisions of the act of assembly, passed 10th March 1832, entitled, "An act concerning delinquent and forfeited lands and providing for the sale of lands returned delinquent hereafter for the non payment of taxes," and of the act entitled "An act further to extend the time of redemption of lands and lots returned delinquent for the non payment of taxes west of the Alleghany Mountains, and for the purposes", passed 27th February 1835, did on the 26th day of October 1840, proceed to sell so much of the said lot of land as would satisfy the taxes due thereon, with five per cent commission to the said Sheriff for his trouble in making sale of the same, and there being no person present willing to pay said taxes and commission for a portion of said land, the said Peter M. Wright became the purchaser of the entire tract or lot of seven acres at the price of two cents, as appears by the list of the lands and lots sold by said Thomas Mead Deputy Sheriff as aforesaid and returned by him to the Clerks office of the said County of Bedford pursuant to the provisions of the 17th Section of the said act first above recited. Now therefore this indenture witnesseth, that the said Robert C. Mitchell Clerk of the said County Court, for and in consideration of the premises and of the said sum of one dollar to him in hand paid by the said Peter M. Wright at and before the ensealing & delivery of these presents, and by virtue of, and in pursuance of the authority vested in him by the said Acts of Assembly, hath and by these presents doth give, grant, sell and confirm unto the said Peter M. Wright the before mentioned tract or lot of land, containing as aforesaid seven acres be the same more or less To have and to hold the said land & premises with the appurtenances thereunto belonging unto the said Peter M. Wright his heirs and assigns forever, free from the claims of him the said Robert C. Mitchell Clerk as aforesaid or his heirs and the said Robert C. Mitchell Clerk as aforesaid, doth covenant, grant and agree, to warrant and defend the title of the said land, free from the claims of himself and his heirs, but against the claims of no other person or persons. In testimony whereof the said Robert C. Mitchell Clerk of the said County Court of Bedford has hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Robert C. Mitchell Clerk

At a Court held for Bedford County the 24th day of April 1843. This deed from Robert C. Mitchell Clerk to Peter M. Wright, conveying land sold for the non

payment of taxes, was produced in Court acknowledged by said Mitchell and ordered to be recorded.

Teste
Ro. C. Mitchell CBC"

On about July 25, 1843, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Peter M. Wright filed a complaint against William Franklin and Joel Franklin for payment of their debt of $25:

"To the County Court of Bedford
Bedford County to wit;

Peter M. Wright Plaintiff complains of William Franklin and Joel Franklin defendants in Custody &c of a plea of debt, that they render unto him the sum of Twenty five dollars lawful money of Virginia which they owe to and from him unjustly detain, For that whereas the said defandants, on the 20th day of November 1838 at the Parish of ____ in the County aforesaid made their certain writing obligatory sealed with their seals and to the Court here now shewn the date whereof is the same day and year aforesaid - whereby the said defendants or either of them promised to pay to the said plaintiff the just sum of Twenty five dollars for Value of him received - to be paid to the said plaintiff twelve months after date of said writing obligatory - Nevertheless the said defendants although often requested have not, nor has either of them paid to the said plaintiff the said sum of Twenty five dollars or any part thereof, but the same or any part thereof to him to pay they and each of them have hitherto wholly failed and refused and still fail and refuse so to do to the damage of the plaintiff Twenty dollars and therefore he brings his suit &c

Wingfield & Johnson pq"

On July 25, 1843, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers a summons was issued against William Franklin and Joel Franklin to answer the complaint of Peter M. Wright for payment of a debt of $25:

"The Commonwealth of Virginia, to the Sheriff of Bedford County greeting: We command you to take William Franklin and Joel Franklin if they be found within your bailiwick and them safely keep so that you have their bodies before the Justices of our County Court of Bedford, at the Courthouse thereof, on the fourth Monday in August next, to answer Peter M. Wright of a plea of debt for twenty five dollars , damage twenty dollars And have then there this writ. Witness,

Robert C. Mitchell, Clerk of our said Court, the 25' day of July 1843 in the 68' year of our independence

Ro. C. Mitchell"

On September 21, 1843, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers J. C. Kasey filed his recognizance bond to secure the payment by William Franklin and Joel Franklin of any judgment rendered against them in the suit by Peter M. Wright:

"Bedford County, to wit:

Memorandum. - That upon the 21st day of September in the year 1843 Peter M Wright of the county of Bedford personally appeared before me J C Kasey Deputy Sheriff for Nicholas Robertson, Sheriff of the county aforesaid, and undertook for William Franklin and Joel Franklin at the suit of Peter M Wright in an action of debt for Twenty five dollars Damage twenty dollars now depending in the County Court of the county aforesaid, that in case the said, William Franklin & Joel Franklin shall be cast in the said suit, the said William Franklin & Joel Franklin will pay and satisfy the condemnation of the Court, or render their bodies to prison in execution for the same, or that he the said Peter M Wright will do it for them Given under my hand, this 21st day of September 1843

J C Kasey D.S.
for Nicholas Robertson, S.B.C.

I Peter M Wright have acknowledged the above recognizance of bail, and in testimony thereof, have hereunto affixed my hand and seal, this 21st day of September 1843

Peter M Wright"

On February 26, 1844, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers the heirs of Matthew Wright filed a suit for the sale of four slaves:

"Suit to Sell the slaves of the Est of Matthew Wright deceased - four slaves - Andy Charlotte John William Valentine G. Camper and Jane his wife Indiana - Peter M. Wright Wilson Meador & Polly his wife, Joseph P Wright, John Wright Hefts

Milly Wright, Francis Johnson and Nancy his wife, John Compton & Lydia his wife Nancy Jane Compton Matthew M Compton and Henry G Compton infant children of Isaiah & Julia Compton formerly Julia Wright - Wright H Wright

Peter M Wright to be appointed Commissioner to Sell - upon a credit of 12 months"

The 1844 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following household:

date of receiving list	Persons Chargeable with tax	White males above 16 yrs	Slaves above 12 yrs of age	Horses &c	No of 4 wheel pleasure carriages & Value
Mch 20	Peter M Wright	2	1	11	

No. of Carryalls & Value	No. of 2 wheel Carriages & Value		Silver Watches	Clocks @ 50¢	Clocks @ 25¢	
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Pianos & Value	Gold & Silver Plates	attorneys paying a specific & amt. of tax	Physicians & surgeons paying a specific tax & amt.	Amount of interest & profits on moneys loaned out or on bonds acquired by in profit

		Total amount of Tax Dollars Cents
		2.03(?)

The 1844 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M. Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple or life &c	No of Acres	Descriptions of the land as to Water Courses, Mountains and contiguous Tracts
Peter M. Wright	Bedford	fee	1051	poles on Beaverdam Cr.
do	"	"	59	On the same
do	"	"	209	On the same
do	"	"	275	On the same
do	"	"	50	On the same
do	"	"	42½	On the same

Distance & bearing from the court house	Value of Land P Acre including buildings	Sum ____ the Land on acct of buildings	Total Value of the land & buildings	____	Explanations of alterations during the preceding especially from whom transferred
17 SW	5.00		5.00	.01	
" "	5.00		295.00	.37	
15 SW	4.96	200	1036.64	1.30	
17 "	4.23	200	1163.25	1.45	
18 "	2.00		100.00	.13	
20 "	5.50		232.00	.29	

This record reflects the allocation of 42-3/4 acres of land to Peter M. Wright from the estate of his father Matthew Wright by Bedford County W.B. 11/138.

The 1844 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, also listed Peter M. Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple or life &c	No of Acres	Descriptions of the land as to Water Courses, Mountains and contiguous Tracts
Peter M. Wright	Bedford	fee	19	On Beaverdam Cr
do	"	"	50	On Same

Distance & bearing from the court house	Value of Land P Acre including buildings	Sum __ __ the Land on acct of buildings	Total Value of the land & buildings	___	Explanations of alterations during the preceding especially from whom transferred
22 W	2.00			.05	from William Camper
" "	2.50			.16	from John Cundiff's Estate

This record reflects the purchase of 19 acres of land by Bedford County Deed 30/250.

The 1844 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, also listed Peter M. Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Est	No of Acres	Description or Situation of Land
Peter M Wright	Bedf	Fee	7½	Head N fork Goose Cr
" "	"	"	7	Goose Creek Ja's Read

Distance & Bearing	Value per Acre	Value of Buildings	Value of Land & Buildings	Am't of Tax	____
NE 15	1.00			.01	From John Dollard
" 17	2.00		14.00	.02	" Ja's Wilson

This record reflects the purchase of 7-1/2 acres of land by Bedford County Deed 30/245 and the purchase of 7 acres of land by Bedford County Deed 30/267.

The 1844 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Peter Wright with the following property:

Name of Owners	Residence	Estate whether held in fee or Life	No of Acres	Description of the Land as to water Courses Mountains & Contiguous Tracts
Peter Wright	Bedford	In fee	162	Stanton
Ditto	"	"	304	"

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Vallue of Land Per Acre	Sum added on account of Buildings	Total Vallue of of Land & Buildings	Amount of Tax on ____ Tract at
20 NE	4.00	200.00	648.00	.81
"	2.00	"	608.00	.76

Explanations of Alterations during
the Preceding Year for Whom Transferred

On May 30, 1844, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 68/166 Peter M. and Susan Wright sold 2 to 3 acres of land to Abijah Douglas:

"This Indenture made & entered into this May 30th day 1844 Between Peter M. Wright & his wife Susan of the first part & Abijah Douglass of the second part Witnesseth that the said Peter M. Wright & his wife Susan for & in consideration of the sum of twenty dollars to them in hand paid in land by the Abijah Douglass the Receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged by the said Peter M. Wright and his wife Susan who hath bargained & sold and by these presents doth give grant bargain sell & Confirm unto the said Abijah Douglass a certain tract or parcel of land situate lying & being in the County of Bedford & State of Virginia on the west side of Beaver dam Creek & Bounded as follows Begining at Abijah Douglass corner on the east side of Beaverdam Creek in Silas Dearens line thence along Dearens line crossing said Creek to the foot of a hill within three feet of a large Black oak to a rock thence a new strat line along the foot of the hill as the fence now runs leaving the whole of the fence without the Boundary to a stake on the west Bank of the Creek it being the same named in the deed this day made by said Douglass to said Wright thence up the Creek as it meanders to the first station supposed to contain two or three acres To have & to hold the said tract of land with all its appurtenances unto the said Abijah Douglass his heirs & assigns forever & the said Peter M. Wright & Susan his wife for them selves their heirs doth covenant & agree to forever warrant & defend the Receipt & title to the aforesaid tract or parcel of land with all its apurtenances unto the aforesaid Abijah Douglass his heirs & assigns for ever against the claims or demands of all persons whatsoever In witness whereof the said Peter M. Wright & Susan his wife hath hereunto set their hands & seals this the day & date first written acknowleded in pressence of Attest

Peter M. Wright
Susan Wright

Bedford County to wit:

We Jno. Claytor and ____ Justices of the peace in said County & State of Virginia do hereby certify that Susan Wright the wife of Peter M. Wright parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 30th day of May 1844 & hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid on being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Susan Wright acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 25th July 1845

Jno Claytor J.P.
Matthew Pate J.P.

Bedford County to wit:

We Matthew Pate & Jno Claytor do hereby certify that Peter M. Wright a party to the within Deed bearing date on the 30th day of May 1844 & hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid & acknowledg the same to be his act & deed & desired us to certify said acknowledgment to the Clerk of the County Court of Bedford in order to be recorded.

Given under our hands & & seals this 23rd day of Feb. 1847

Matthew Pate, J.P.
Jno. Claytor, J.P.

In Bedford County Court Clerk's Office, November 9th, 1891

This Deed from Peter M. Wright and wife to Abijah Douglass, conveying real estate was produced in said office, and, together with the certificate thereto annexed admited to recorde.

Teste,
Ro. S. Quarles C.B.C."

On about July 23, 1844, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers an accounting between Peter M. Wright and Lorenzo D. Preston was filed:

"Mr Lorenzo D. Preston
To Peter M. Wright Dr

1843	October 28th to 139 pounds of beef at 3¼ cts on six months credit)	$4.52
	Also to the differencein a large beef Steer and a heifer	15.50
	Also to 4 sheep hides with wool on	3.00
	Nov to one heifer for	8.00
1844	July 23rd to 41 lbs bacon at 10 cts	4.10
	to 56 lb of green hide at 6 cts per lb	3.36
	to difference in worth of 4 hides in leather	.50
	to one large dogskin	.75
	to one large hogskin	.75
		$40.48"

On July 29, 1844, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Jeremiah Cawley executed his promissory note for $35.87 payable to Peter M. Wright:

"I Jeremiah Corley

$35.87/100 Two days after date I Jeremiah Corley Bind my self my heirs Exer Admr &c to pay Peter M. Wright the just sum of thirty five dollars and eighty seven cents lawful money of Va. for value Received Witness my hand & seal this July 29th day 1844

Attest Jeremiah Cawley
his
John X Harkrider
mark"

In August 1844 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 28/319 Peter M. Wright was appointed guardian for Matthew M. Compton, Nancy J. A. Compton, and Henry G. Compton, orphans of Isaiah Compton and Julia Compton:

"Ordered that Peter M Wright be appointed guardian of Matthew M. Compton, Nancy J. A. Compton and Henry G. Compton orphans of Isaiah Compton and Julia Compton deceased and thereupon he together with Wilson Meador and Joseph P. Wright his securities entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of four thousand dollars conditioned according to law."

On about September 6, 1844, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Peter M. Wright filed a complaint against Jeremiah Cawley for payment of a debt of $35.87:

"Virginia. Bedford County, to wit:

Peter M Wright Plaintiff complains of Jeremiah Cawley defendant in custody, &c. of a plea that he render unto him the sum of Thirty five dollars and eighty seven cents which to him he owes and from him unjustly detain. For this that the said defendant heretofore, to wit: On the 29th day of July in the year 1844, at the county aforesaid by his certain writing obligatory, sealed with his seal, and to the Court now here shewn, the date whereof is the day and year last aforesaid; bound himself, his heirs Exer Admr &c to pay to the said Plaintiff the just Sum of thirty five dollars and eighty seven cents lawful money of Va. for value received, to be paid to the said Plaintiff two days after the date of the said writing obligatory Yet the said defendant, although thereto often requested, has not paid the said sum of money or any part thereof to the said Plaintiff. But the same to pay he has hitherto wholly refused and still refuses to the damage of the Plaintiff $20. And therefore he sues &c.

Johnson P.Q."

On September 6, 1844, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers a summons was issued against Jeremiah Cawley to answer the complaint of Peter M. Wright for payment of a debt of $35.87:

"The Commonwealth of Virginia,
To the Sheriff of Bedford County, Greeting:

We command you to take Jeremiah Cawley if he be found within your bailiwick, and him safely keep, so that you have his body before the Justices of our County Court of Bedford at the Courthouse thereof on the fourth Monday in November next, to answer Peter M. Wright of a plea of debt for thirty five dollars and eighty seven cents Damage twenty dollars And have then there this writ. Witness, Robert C. Mitchell, Clerk of our said Court, the 6th day of September 1844, in the 69th year of our Independence.

Ro. C. Mitchell"

On September 20, 1844, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Basdell Ridgeway executed surety bond to secure the payment by Jeremiah Cawley of any judgment awarded against him in the suit by Peter M. Wright:

"Bedford County, to wit:

Memorandum. - That upon the 20th day of September in the year 1844 Basdell Ridgeway of the county of Bedford personally appeared before me J C Kasey

Deputy Sheriff for Nicholas Robertson, Sheriff of the county aforesaid, and undertook for Jeremiah Cawley at the suit of Peter M Wright in an action of debt for Twenty five dolars & Eighty seven Damage Twenty dollars now depending in the County Court of the county aforesaid, that in case the said Jeremiah Cawley shall be cast in the said suit, the said Jeremiah Cawley will pay and satisfy the condemnation of the court, or render his body to prison in execution for the same, or that he the said Basdell Ridgeway will do it for him Given under my hand, this 20 day of September 1844

J C Kasey DS
for Nicholas Robertson, S.B.C.

I Basdell Ridgeway have acknowledged the above recognizance of bail, and in testimony thereof, have hereunto affixed my hand and seal, this 20 day of Sept 1844

Basdele his X mark" Ridgeway

In September 1844 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 28/341 Peter M. Wright obtained an injunction against William Franklin to prevent him from cutting timber from his land:

"On the motion of Joseph Preast, who filed his bill, an injunction is awarded him to restrain William Franklin & Peter M. Wright, their agents, servants, and all others concerned, from cutting any timber upon, or removing any timber or other thing from, or otherwise using, or in any manner interfering with any part of a certain tract of land lying within the lines patented to the plaintiff Joseph Preast on the 17" day of May 1803, containing three hundred acres, lying on both sides of Beaverdam Creek in this County, until the trial of an action of ejectment instituted by the said Preast against the said Franklin in the Circuit Superior Court of Law and Chancery of this County, and until the further order of this Court, and thereupon said Joseph Preast entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of sixty six dollars and sixty six cents, conditioned according to law."

On November 30, 1844, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 20/285 Peter M. and Susan Wright sold one-half of 304 acres of land to Joseph C. Hawley:

"This Indenture made & entered into this November 30" day of 1844 between Peter M Wright and his wife Susan of the County of Bedford & State of Virginia of the first part and Joseph C Hawley of the County of Franklin and State aforesaid of the second part. Witnesseth that for & in consideration of the sum

of Six hundred and sixty dollars to them in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath bargained sold & confirmed and by these presents doth bargain sell & deliver unto him the said Joseph C. Hawley one half of one certain tract or parcel of Land situate lying and being in the County of Franklin on the South side of Stanton River it being one half in value of all of that tract of Land deeded to Peter M Wright in the year 1839 by John K. Ferguson and his wife Polly & is of record in the clerks office of the County Court of Franklin and is there bounded and described supposed to contain Three hundred & four acres be the same more or less. To have & to hold the one half in value of the aforesaid tract or parcel of land together with all the priviledges and apurtinances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining unto him the said Joseph C. Hawley his heirs and assigns forever the said Peter M Wright & his wife Susan doth hereby covenant & agree to & with the said Joseph C. Hawley his heirs & assigns to forever warrant & defend the right & title of the one half of that aforesaid tract or parcel of land together with all the apurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining free from the claims or demands of all persons whatosever. In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands & seals this the day & date first written.

Signed in presence of) Peter M. Wright
) Susan Wright

Bedford County to wit: & State of Virginia:

We William Mead and Matthew Pate Justices of the in and for said County do hereby certify that Susan Wright the wife of Peter M. Wright parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 30th day November 1844 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being by us examined privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Susan Wright acknowledged the same to be her and deed & declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 26" day of February 1845.

William Mead J. P.
Matthew Pate

Bedford County to wit,

We William Mead and Matthew Pate Justices of the Peace in and for said County do hereby certify that Peter M Wright a party to the within deed bearing date on the 30' day of November 1844 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and desired us to certify his said acknowledgement to the clerk

of the County Court of Franklin in order that said deed may be recorded. Given under our hands and seals this 26" day of February 1845

William Mead J. P.
Matthew Pate

In the Clerk's Office of Franklin County Court the 3rd day of April 1848.

This Indenture of bargain and sale between Peter M Wright and Susan his wife of the one part, and Joseph C. Hawley of the other part was exhibited into the said Office and together with the certificates hereon endorsed admitted to record.

Teste.
Moses G. Carper C. F. C."

On December 3, 1844, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 32/12 Peter M. Wright, as commissioner, sold a property known as Hogans Tract to Silas Dearing:

"This Indenture made and entered into this December 3rd day 1844 between Peter M Wright of the first part and Silas Dearin of the second part, both of the County of Bedford and State of Virginia. Whereas the said Peter M. Wright was by the County Court of Bedford in February 1843 appointed a Commissioner to sell a certain tract or parcel of land to the highest bidder known by Hogans tract and Silas Dearin, being the highest bidder and the purchaser at the sum of forty Six dollars. For and in consideration of that sum to him in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath bargained, sold and confirmed and by these presents doth bargain, sell and deliver unto him the said Silas Dearin a certain tract or parcel of land Situate lying and being in the County of Bedford on the waters of Beaverdam Creek adjoining the lands of Edmund Haynes, John Dent and others (which tract is more fully described in the bill and proceedings of the suit of Hogan's heirs against Hogan & Wright in the decision of said Suit the decree was obtained to sell the above named land Containing about sixty eight acres more or less. To have and to hold all the foresaid tract or parcel of land together with all the privileges and apurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining, unto him the said Silas Dearin his heirs & assigns forever. The Said Peter M. Wright Commissioner doth hereby covenant and agree to and with the said Silas Dearin his heirs and assigns to forever warrant and defend the right and title of the aforesaid tract or parcel of land together with all the privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining free from the claims or demands of himself or of all manner of persons claiming

by through or under him and none other. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the day and year first written.

Signed in presence of Peter M. Wright

At a Court held for Bedford County the 28 day of July 1845

This deed from Peter M. Wright to Silas Dearin was produced in Court acknowledged by the said Wright and ordered to be recorded.

Teste
Jno R. Steptoe C.B.C."

On January 23, 1845, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 31/359 Peter M. and Susan Wright sold the 75 acre tract of land purchased by Bedford County Deed 30/262:

"This Indenture made and entered into this January 23d day 1845 between Peter M Wright and Susan his wife of the first part and Jeremiah Corley of the second part all of the County of Bedford and State of Virginia Witnesseth that for and in consideration of the sum of forty dollars to them in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath given granted, bargained and sold and by these presents doth give, grant bargain sell and confirm unto Jeremiah Corley his heirs and assigns forever all the right title and interest that they the said Peter M Wright and Susan his wife hath obtained to a certain tract or parcel of land by a deed made by Robert C Mitchell Clerk of Bedford County Court on the 24th day of April 1843 & of record in the Clerks office of Bedford County, and is situated in said County on the waters of Falling Creek adjoining the land of Daniel Frailing Lorenzo D Preston and others the metes and bounds of which will morefully appear in the deed of Robert C Mitchell above named containing seventy five acres To have and to hold the aforesaid tract or parcel of land together with all the priviledges and apurtinances thereunto belonging or in any wise apertaining unto him the said Jeremiah Corley his heirs and assigns forever, the said Peter M Wright and his wife Susan doth covenant for themselves their heirs &c that they will forever warrant and defend the right and title of the aforesaid tract or parcel of land unto him the said Jeremiah Corley his heirs and assigns forever against the claims of themselves their heirs but against the claims of no other person or persons. In testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands & affixed our seals the day and date first written.

Peter M. Wright
Susan Wright

Bedford County to Wit:

We William Mead and Matthew Pate Justices of the peace in and for said County and State of Virginia do hereby certify that Susan Wright the wife of Peter M. Wright parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 23d day of January 1845 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband aforesaid and having said deed fully explained to her she the said Susan Wright acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered said deed and that she wished not to retract it Given under our hands and seals this 26th day of February 1845

William Mead JP
Matthew Pate

At a Court held for Bedford County the 24th day of March 1845

This Indenture of bargain and sale from Peter M. Wright and wife to Jeremiah Corley was produced in Court acknowledged by said Wright certified as to his wife and ordered to be recorded

Teste
Ro C Mitchell"

In February 1845 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 28/407 Peter M. Wright was ordered to supervise the opening of a new road from Peatown to Howell's Gap:

"Ordered that Isaac James Sr. William Gish, Peter M. Wright and Joel Wright do superintend the opening and improvement in the road from Peatown by the Cross roads to the County line at Howell's Gap and the following surveyors of roads with their hands aid in opening and improving the same to Wit, John Nimmo, William Gilpin, James Mays Jr. Joel Wright, Peter M. Wright, Anthony P. Wright, Edmund Haynes, Elijah Howell, William Muse and Brice Meador & make reportto County."

The 1845 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following household:

Persons Chargeable With tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses, mules, &c
Peter M Wright	1			10

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness and value	Stages, and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches	Patent lever or lepine silver watches

Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50	Attorneys paying specific tax and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax
	1				

Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase including interest, profits or dividends on state or corporat'n bonds	Am't of monied income over $400, received or salaries or fees of office	Bridges - am't of yearly rent or value over $100

Ferries - am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses, and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
	1.13	

The 1845 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M. Wright with the following property:

Names Of Owners	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple for life &c	No. of Acres	Descriptions of the land as to Water Courses, _____ _____
Peter M. Wright	Bedford	fee		1051 poles on Beaverdam Cr.
do	"	"	59	On the same
do	"	"	209	On the same
do	"	"	275	On the same
do	"	"	50	On the same
do	"	"	42¼	On the same
do	"	"	19	On the same

Distance & bearing from the court house	Value of land per acre, including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land & buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at legal rate	Explanations of alterations during the ____ especially from whom transferred
17 W	5.00		5.00	.01	
" "	5.00		295.00	.30	
15 W	4.96	200	1036.64	1.04	
17 "	4.23	200	1163.25	1.17	
18 "	2.00	100	100.00	.10	
20 "	5.50		232.00	.24	
22 "	2.00		38.00	.04	from Ro C Mitchell C. pt of Wms & Cring
20 "	2.50		35.00	.04	from same part of John Cundiffs land

The 1845 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, also listed Peter M. Wright with the following property:

Name Of Owner	Residence	Estate, whether held in fee simple for life, &c.	No. of Acres	Description of the land, as to water-courses, mountains and contigutracts
Peter M Wright	Bedf	Fee	7½	Head N fork Goose creek
" "	"	"	7	Goose Creek Jas Read

Distance & bearing from the court-house	Value of land per acre, including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land & buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred
NW 15	1.00		7.50	.01	
" 17	2.00		14.00	.01	

The 1845 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Name of Owners	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No of Acres	Description of the land as to watercourses mountains and contiguous Tracts
Peter M Wright	Bedford	In fee	162	Stanton
Ditto	"	"	164	"

Distance and bearing from the court house	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of Buildings	Total Value of the Land and Buildings	Am't of Tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate
20 NE	4.00	200.00	648.00	.65
" "	2.00	"	328.00	.33

Explanations of alterations during
the preceding year, especially
from whom transferred _____

This record reflects the sale of one-half of 304 acres of land by Franklin County Deed 20/285.

In May 1845 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 28/445 Peter M. Wright was allowed a commission for his services as administrator of the estate of Isaiah Compton:

> "Ordered that Peter M. Wright administrator of Isaiah Compton Deceased be allowed a commission seven per cent on the sum of One Thousand eight hundred and eighty eight dollarsand eight cents for his services as administrator as shown by his account settled on the 9th day of November 1843."

On June 10, 1845, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 31/430 Peter M. Wright acted as trustee on a deed of trust executed by Lorenzo D. and Patsey Preston.

On about January 17, 1846, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Peter M. Wright filed a complaint against Lorenzo D. Preston for payment of a debt of $60:

> "In the County Court of Bedford County
> Bedford County, to wit;
>
> Peter M Wright (plaintiff) complains of Lorenzo D Preston (deft.) in Custody &c. of a plea of trespass on the case for a breach of promises. For that whereas the said deft., heretofore, to wit, on the __ day of ____ in the year __ at the Parish of ____ and county aforesaid, was indebted unto the said plaintiff in the sum of $60 lawful money of virginia, for divers goods, wares, and merchandize, to wit, a large quantity of beef, bacon, beef cattle, hides of various kinds &c. before that time by the said plaintiff sold and delivered to the said deft. and at his special instance and request, and being so indebted he the said deft. afterwards, to wit, on the day & year aforesaid __ aforesaid in consideration of said indebtedness undertook and then & there faithfully promised the said plaintiff to pay him the said sum of money whenever he the said defendant should be thereunto afterwards requested: And whereas also the said deft. afterwards, to wit, on the day and year last aforesaid, at the Parish & county aforesaid, accounted with the said plaintiff of and concerning divers other sums of money from the said deft. before that time due and owing to the said plaintiff, and then in arrear and

unpaid, and upon such accounting the said deft. was then and there found to be in arrear and indebted to the said plaintiff in the further sum of $60 of like lawful money, and being so found in arrear and indebted, he the said deft. in consideration thereof undertook and then and there faithfully promised the said plaintiff to pay him the last mentioned sum of money, whenever he the said deft. should be thereunto afterwards requested. Nevertheless the said deft. not regarding his said several promises and undertakings, hath never as yet, (although often requested,) paid to the said plaintiff the said several sums of money, or any, or either of them or any part thereof, but the same to pay the said deft. hath hitherto wholly failed and refused, and still fails & refuses so to do. To the damage of the said plaintiff $60. and therefore he brings his suit &c.

Johnson & Burks PQ"

On January 17, 1846, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers a summons was issued against Lorenzo D. Preston to answer the complaint of Peter M. Wright for payment of a debt of $60:

"The Commonwealth of Virginia to the Sheriff of Bedford County Greeting We command you to take Lorenzo D. Preston if he be found within your bailiwick and him safely keep so that you have his body before the Justices of our County Court of Bedford at the Courthouse thereof, on the fourth Monday in March next, to answer Peter M. Wright of a plea of trespass on the case Damage Sixty dollars and have then there this Writ. Witness, Jno. R Steptoe, Clerk of our Said Court the 17" day of January 1846 in the 70" year of our Independence.

Jno. R. Steptoe"

The 1846 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following household:

Persons Chargeable With tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses, mules, &c
Peter M Wright	2	1	1	7

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness and value	Stages, and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches	Patent lever or lepine silver watches

Other watches	Mettalic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50	Attorneys paying specific tax and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax
		1				

Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase including interest, profits or dividends on state or corporat'n bonds	Am't of monied income over $400, received or salaries or fees of office	Bridges - am't of yearly rent or value over $100

Ferries - am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses, and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
	1.47	

The 1846 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M. Wright with the following property:

Name Of Owner	Residence	Estate, whether held in fee simple for life &c	No. of Acres	Descriptions of the land as to water courses, mountains and contigous tracts
Peter M. Wright	Bedford	fee		1051 poles On the same [Beaverdam Cr]
do	"	"	59	On the same
do	"	"	209	On the same
do	"	"	275	On the same
do	"	"	50	On the same
do	"	"	17	On the same
do	"	"	19	On the same
do	"	"	14	On Sandy run

Distance & bearing from the court-house	Value of land per acre, including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land & buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate	Explanations of alterations during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred
17 W	5.00		05.00	.01	
" "	5.00		295.00	.30	
15 "	4.96	200	1036.64	1.04	
17 "	4.23	200	1163.25	1.17	
18 "	2.00		100.00	.10	
20 "	5.50		15.30	.10	
22 W	2.00		38.00	.04	from William ____
" "	2.50		32.00	.04	from John Cundiffs _

This record reflects the purchase of 14 acres of land by Bedford County Deed 30/255.

The 1846 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, also listed Peter M. Wright with the following property:

Name Of Owner	Residence	Estate, whether held in fee simple for life, &c.	No. of Acres	Description of the land, as to watercourses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Peter M Wright	Bedford	Fee	7½	Head N fork Goose Cr
" "	"	"	7	Goose Cr. James Read

Distance & bearing from the court-house	Value of land per acre, including buildings	Sum added to the land on account buildings	Total value of the land & buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred
NW 15	1.00		7.50	.01	
" 17	2.00		14.00	.01	

The 1846 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Peter Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No of Acres	Description of the land as to watercourses mountains and contiguous Tracts
Peter Wright	Bedford	In fee	162	Stanton
Ditto	"	"	164	"

Distance and bearing from the court house	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total Value of the Land and buildings	Am't of Tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate
20 NE	4.00	200.00	648.00	.65
" "	2.00	"	328.00	.33

Explanations of alterations during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred

In May 1846 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 29/175 Peter M. Wright was licensed to keep a house of private entertainment at his house:

> "On the motion of Peter M. Wright who produced the Sheriffs receipt for the tax imposed by law, leave is granted him to keep a house of private entertainment at his house in this County until the next May term of this Court."

In July 1846 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 29/206 Peter M. Wright was appointed administrator of the estate of Jonathan James:

> "On the motion of Peter M. Wright who made oath & together with James C. Kasey his security entered into & acknowledged bond in the penalty of six hundred dollars conditioned according to law certificate is granted him for obtaining letters of administration de bonis non with the will annexed of Jonathan James deceased in due form."

On about July 28, 1846, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Peter M. Wright filed a complaint against George West for payment of a debt of $71.35:

"In the County Court of Bedford County
August Term 1846

Bedford County, to wit;

Peter M Wright (plaintiff) complains of George West deft. in custody &c. of a plea of debt that he render unto him the said pltff the sum of seventy-one dollars and thirty-five cents, which he owes to & from him unjustly detains. For that whereas the said deft. heretofore, to wit, on the 7th day of August 1839 at the Parish of ____ & County aforesaid, made his certain writing obligatory sealed with his seal, and to the Court nowhere shewn the date whereof is the day & year aforesaid whereby he acknowledged himself to be held and firmly bound to the said plaintiff in the sum of seventy-one dollars and thirty five cents, for value received, (expressed in said writing obligatory in the following words & figures, to wit, "Due Peter M Wright seventy one dollars & thirty five cents for value of him received,") to be paid unto the said plaintiff whenever he the said deft. should be thereunto afterwards requested. Nevertheless the said deft. (although often requested) hath never as yet paid to the said pltff the said sum of money above demanded or any part thereof, but the same to the said pltff to pay the said deft. hath hitherto wholly failed and refused, and still fails & refuses so to do - To the damage of the said pltff $20 & therefore he brings his suit &c.

Johnson & Burks P.Q."

On July 28, 1846, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers a summons was issued against George West to answer the complaint of Peter M. Wright for payment of a debt of $71.35:

"The Commonwealth of Virginia,
To the Sheriff of Bedford County, Greeting:

We command you to take George West if he be found within your bailiwick, and him safely keep, so that you have his body before the Justices of our County Court of Bedford, at the Courthouse thereof, on the fourth Monday in August next, to answer Peter M. Wright of a plea of debt for Seventy one dollars and thirty five cents. Damage twenty dollars And have then there this writ. Witness, John R. Steptoe, Clerk of our said Court, the 28" day of July 1846 in the 71st year of our Independence.

Jno. R. Steptoe"

On about July 28, 1846, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Peter M. Wright filed a complaint against Silas Dearin for payment of $100 for services rendered as a blacksmith and for goods sold:

"Bedford County, to wit;

Peter M Wright plaintiff complains of Silas Dearen defendant in custody &c. of a plea of trespass on the case on premises. For that whereas the said deft. heretofore, to wit, on the __ day of ____ in the year __ in the county aforesaid, was indebted to the said plaintiff in the sum of $100. for the work and labor, care and diligence of the said plaintiff before that time done, performed, and bestowed in and about the business of the said defendant & for the said defendant, and at his special instance and request; and also in the further sum of $100- for the work and labor of the said plaintiff before that time rendered, & performed by the said plaintiff as a blacksmith for the said defendant and at his like special instance and request; also in the further sum of $20. for the use and service of the waggons and horses of the said plaintiff for __ number of days, before that time by the said plaintiff hired to the said deft. and at his special instance and request also in the further sum of $100- for divers goods and chattels to wit, __ bushels of Oats, __ bushels of wheat, __ bushels of corn; __ pounds of beef & __ pounds of tobacco, by the said plaintiff before that time sold and delivered to the said defendant and at his like special instance and request; and being so indebted the said deft., afterwards, to wit, on the day and year last aforesaid, in the county aforesaid, in consideration thereof, undertook & faithfully promised the said plaintiff to pay him the said several sums of money in this accnt(?) mentioned, whenever he the said deft should be thereunto afterwards requested. And Whereas also the said deft; afterwards, to wit, on the day & year last aforesaid, in the county aforesaid, accounted with the said plaintiff of and concerning divers other sums of money from the said deft. to the said pltff, before that time due and owing, and then in arrear and unpaid, and upon such accounting the said deft. was then and there found to be in arrear and indebted to the said pltff. in the further sum of $100., and being so found in arrear and indebted, he the said deft., in consideration thereof, afterwards, to wit, on the day and year last aforesaid, in the county aforesaid, undertook then and there faithfully promised the said pltff. to pay him the said last mentioned sum of money whenever he the said deft. should be thereunto afterwards requested. Nevertheless, the said defendant not regarding his said several promises and undertakings hath not yet (although often requested) paid the said pltff. the said several sums of money in the foregoing ____ mentioned, or any, or either of them, or any part thereof, but the same to the said pltff. to pay the said deft. hath hitherto wholly failed & refused, and he still fails & refuses so to do. To the damage of the said pltff $100- and therefore he brings his suit &c.

Johnson & Burks P.Q."

On July 28, 1846, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers a summons was issued against Silas Dearin to answer the complaint of Peter M. Wright for payment of $100 for trespass on the case:

"The Commonwealth of Virginia,
To the Sheriff of Bedford County, Greeting:

We command you to take Silas Dearin if he be found within your bailiwick, and him safely keep, so that you have his body before the Justices of our County Court of Bedford, at the Court-house, on the fourth Monday in March next, to answer Peter M. Wright of a plea of trespass on the Case Damage One hundred dollars And have then there this writ. Witness, John R. Steptoe, Clerk of our said Court, the 31st day of December 1846 in the 71st year of our Independence.

Jno. R. Steptoe"

On July 31, 1846, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers N. I. Manson filed his surety bond to secure the payment by George West of any judgment rendered against him in the suit by Peter M. Wright:

"County, to wit:

Memorandum. - That upon the 31ts day of July, in the year 1846 Clark Settles of the county of Bedford personally appeared before me George Steptoe Deputy Sheriff for N I Manson Sheriff of the county of Bedford and undertook for George West at the suit of Peter M Wright in an action of Debt for Seventy one dollars & thirty five cents now depending in the County Court of Bedford Court of the county aforesaid, that in case the said George West shall be cast in the said suit, the said George West will pay and satisfy the condemnation of the court, or render his body to prison in execution for the same, or that he the said Clark Cettle will do it for him Given under my hand, this 31st day of July 1846

George Steptoe DS for
N I Manson SBC

I Clark Settle have acknowledged the above recognizance of bail, and in testimony thereof, have hereunto affixed my hand and seal, this 31th day of July 1846

Clark Settle"

On September 7, 1846, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 32/432 Peter M. and Susan Meador sold 7-1/2 acres of land to Josiah H. Cofer:

"This Indenture made and entered into the 7" day of September 1846 between Peter M Wright & his wife Susan of the one part and Josiah H Cofer of the other part Witnesseth that for and in Consideration of the Sum of forty dollars to them in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath bargained sold & confirmed & by these Presents doth bargain, Sell, confirm and deliver unto him the Said Josiah H Cofer one certain lot or parcel of land Situate lying and being in the County of Bedford on the head waters of the north fork of Goose Creek and is bounded as follows Viz. Beginning at a chestnut & chestnut oak in Cofer's line near a branch thence off new lines N 34-3/4 E 28 poles to pointers near a hollow N 55-1/4 W 43 poles to pointers near the top of a ridge S. 34-3/4 W 28 poles to a hickory & sourwood in Cofer's line, thence with his line S55-1/4 E 43 poles to the beginning containing by a late survey as is fully shown in the deed made by Robert C Mitchell former Clerk of Bedford County Court to Said Wright Seven and a half acres, be the same more or less, To have and to hold the aforesaid lot or parcel of land together with all the privileges & appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appurtaining unto him the said Josiah H Cofer his heirs & assigns forever the said Peter M Wright & his wife Susan doth hereby covenant and agree to and with the Said Josiah H Cofer his heirs & assigns to forever warrant & defend the right & title of the aforesaid lot or parcel of land together with all the Privileges thereunto blonging or in any wise appertaining free from the claims or demands of all persons whatsoever. In testimony we have hereunto set our hands & seals the day and date first written

Peter M Wright
Susan Wright

Bedford Clerk's office September 9" 1846

This deed of conevyance of real estate from Peter M Wright & Susan his wife to Josiah H Cofer was produced in the office acknowledged by Peter M Wright and as to him admitted to record.

Teste
Jno R Steptoe CBC"

On December 5, 1846, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 33/126 Peter M. Wright purchased 11-7/8 acres of land from Roland and Sophia Wheeler:

"This Indenture made and entered into this 5th day of December 1846 between Roland Wheeler & Sophia his wife of the County of Bedford and State of Virginia of the first part & Peter M Wright of the County & state aforesaid of the other part

Witnesseth that for and in consideration of the sum of 100 dollars, to them in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath given granted bargained & sold and by these presents doth give, grant, bargain sell & confirm unto him the said Peter M Wright his heirs & assigns forever one certain tract or parcel of land Situate lying and being in the county of Bedford & State of Virginia & on the waters of Beaverdam Creek containing by survey 11-7/8 acres it being the whole tract of land that said Wheeler lives on and bounded as follows Beginning at Pointers in Wright's line on a north hill side thence with Dearen's line N 6-3/4 E at 6 poles crossing Keaths branch in all 32 poles and 6 links to a black oak N 35-3/4 W 18 poles and 9 links to a post oak S 77-3/4 W 68 poles to a chestnut near a branch thence nearly down the branch as it meanders S 68 E 20 poles S 65-1/2 E 18 poles S 39 E 16 poles S 75 E 10 poles to the mouth of a branch S 69 E 5 poles & 10 links to a Spanish Oak Stump off S 87-1/2 E 12 poles & 18 links to the beginning. To have and to hold the aforesaid tract or parcel of land together with all privileges and appurtenances there unto belonging or in any wise appertaining and the said Roland Wheeler & Sophia his wife for themselves their heirs &c the said tract of 11-7/8 acres with all and Singular the appurtenances & premises before mentioned unto him the said Peter M Wright his heirs & assigns free from the claim or claims of themselves their heirs & of all manner of persons whatsoever. In witness whereof we have hereunto sit our hands & Seals the day & date first written

Roland	his X mark	Wheeler
Sophia	his X mark	Wheeler

Bedford County to Wit

We Matthew Pate & John Claytor Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid do hereby Certify that Roland Wheeler a party to the within deed for the Conveyance of real estate bearing date on the 5th day of December 1846 & hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid & acknowledged the Same to be his act & deed & desired us to Certify said acknowledgment to the Clerk of the County Court of Bedford in order to be recorded. Given under our hands & seals this 23rd day of Febry 1847

Matthew Pate JP
Jno Claytor JP

Bedford County to Wit

We Matthew Pate & Jno Claytor Justices of the peace in the said county do hereby certify that Sophia Wheeler the wife of Roland Wheeler parties to the within deed, bearing date on the 5th day of Decr. 1847 & hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our said County & having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her & being examined by us privily & apart from her husband. She the said Sophia Wheeler declared that she had willingly Signed Sealed and delivered the same & wished not to retract it. Given under our hands & seals this 23rd day of Febry 1847

Matthew Pate JP
Jno Claytor JP

Bedford Clerks office April the 8" 1847

This deed from Roland Wheeler & wife to Peter M Wright conveying real estate was produced in the office certified & admitted to record

Teste
Jno R Steptoe CBC"

On about December 15, 1846, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Henry W. Mosely filed a complaint against Peter M. Wright for payment of $150 for work and services rendered for medical care for the family of Peter M. Wright:

"In the county court of Bedford County
Bedford County, to wit;

Henry W Mosely (plaintiff) complains of Peter M Wright (deft.) in custody &c of a plea trespass on the case on premises. For that whereas the said deft. heretofore, to wit, on the __ day of ____ in the year 1841, in the county aforesaid was indebted to the said pltf in the sum of $150- for the work and labor, care, diligence, journies, perscriptions, and attendance of the said plaintiff, by the said plaintiff before that time done, performed, and bestowed as a physician for the said defendant, and at his special instance and request, in and about the healing and curing of the said defendant, and of his son and daughter, and divers other persons of divers diseases, disorders, and maladies under which they had before that time respectively labored and languished, and for divers medicines, chattels, and other mopery things before that time found and provided, administered, delivered, and applied by the said plaintiff on those occasions for the said defendant and at his like special instance and request; and being so indebted, to the said deft. in consideration thereof, afterwards, to wit, on the day and year aforesaid, in the county aforesaid, undertook and then & there faithfully

promised the said pltff to pay him the said sum of money above mentioned, whenever he the said deft. should be thereunto afterwards requested. And whereas also the said deft. afterwards, to wit, on the day and year last aforesaid, in the county aforesaid, accounted with the said pltff. of and concerning divers other sums of money from the said deft. to the said pltff. before that time due and owing, and then in arrear and unpaid, and upon such accounting the said deft. was then and there found to be in arrear and indebted to the said pltff in the further sum of $150- & being so found in arrear and indebted, he the said deft. in consideration thereof, afterwards, to wit, on the day and year last aforesaid, in the county aforesaid, undertook and then and there faithfully promised the said pltff. to pay him the said last mentioned sum of money whenever he the said deft. should be thereunto afterwards requested.

Nevertheless, the said deft. not regarding his said several promises & undertakings, hath not as yet paid to the said pltff. the said several sums of money in the foregoing counts mentioned or either of them, or any part thereof (although often requested) but to pay the same the said deft. hath hitherto wholly neglected & refused, and still neglects & refuses so to do. To the damage of the said pltff. $150- and therefore he brings his suit &c

Johnson & Burks P.Q."

On December 15, 1846, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers a summons was issued against Peter M. Wright to answer the complaint of Henry W. Mosely for payment of $150 for medical care for the family of Peter M. Wright:

"The Commonwealth of Virginia,
To the Sheriff of Bedford County, Greeting:

We command you to take Peter M. Wright if he be found within your bailiwick and him safely keep, so that you have his body before the Justices of our County Court of Bedford, at the Court-house, on the fourth Monday in March next, to answer Henry W. Moseley of a plea of trespass on the case Damage one hundred & fifty dollars And have then there this writ. Witness, John R. Steptoe, Clerk of our said Court, the 15' day of December 1846, in the 71st year of our Independence.

Jno. R. Steptoe"

The 1847 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M. Wright with the following household:

Persons Chargeable With tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses, mules, &c
Peter M. Wright	1		1	8

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness and value	Stages, and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches	Patent lever or lepine silver watches

Other watches	Mettalic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50	Attorneys paying specific tax and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax
		1				

Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase including interest, profits or dividends on state or corporat'n bonds	Am't of monied income over $400, received or salaries or fees of office	Bridges - am't of yearly rent or value over $100

Ferries - am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses, and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
	1.25	

The 1847 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M. Wright with the following property:

Names of Owner	Residence	Est	No. of Acres	Description and Situation of Land
Peter M. Wright	Bedford	Fee	7½	Head N fork Goose Cr.
" "	"	"	7	Goose Cr. Jas. Read

Distance & Bearing	Value of land per Acre	Sum added for buildings	Total value of Land and buildings	Tax	___
NW 15	1.00		7.50	.01	
" 17	2.00		14.00	.01	

The 1847 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Peter Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for Life &c	No of Acres	Description of the land as to watercourses mountains and contiguous Tracts
Peter Wright	Bedford	In fee	162	Stanton
Ditto	"	"	164	"

Distance and bearing from the court house	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total Value of the Land and buildings	Am't of Tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate
20 NE	4.00	200.00	648.00	.65
" "	2.00	"	328.00	.33

Explanations of alterations during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred _____

On February 23, 1847, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 33/187 Peter M. Wright purchased 40 acres of land from Joseph W. and Malinda Mays:

"This Indenture made and entered into this February 23rd day 1847 between Joseph W Mays and Malinda his wife of the County of Bedford & state of Virginia of the first part and Peter M Wright of the county and state aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth that for and in Consideration of the sum of one hundred and thirty dollars to them hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath given granted bargained & sold and by these presents doth give grant bargain sell Confirm and deliver unto him the said Peter M Wright his heirs and assigns a certain tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in the County of Bedford & state of Virginia & between the north and east fork of Beaverdam Creek and bounded as follows Viz Beginning at James Wrights Corner rocks in Peter M Wright's line thence N 65 E 52 poles to a white oak S 44 E 38-1/2 poles to a red oak corner to Hollady along his line S 45-3/4 E 40 po to rock in said line thence off new lines S 42-1/2 W 22 poles to thorn bush S 55 W 20 poles to pine S 48 W 36 poles to the main road about 7 poles from the Creek thence up the road as it meanders N 38-3/4 W 20 poles N 70 W 28 poles to stake and rocks on north side of the road off thence along James Wright's line N 5 W 61 poles to the first station containing by survey forty acres three roods & 24 perches.

To have and to hold the aforesaid tract or parcel of land together with all and singular the appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining herein before mentioned unto him the said Peter M Wright his heirs and assigns forever and the said Joseph W Mays & Malinda his wife for themselves and their heirs the said tract or parcel of land with all and singular the premises and apurtenances before mentioned with the said Peter M Wright his heirs and assigns free from the claim or claims of themselves their heirs and of all and every person or persons whatsoever shall will and do warrant and forever defend by these presents. In witness whereof the said Joseph W Mayse and his wife Malinda hath hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written

Joseph W Mays
Malinda Mays

Bedford County to Witt

We Jno Claytor & Matthew Pate justices of the peace in the County aforesaid do hereby certify that Joseph W Mayse party to a certain deed for the conveyance of real estate bearing date on the 23rd day of February 1847 & hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid & acknowledged the same to be his act & deed & desired us to certify said acknowledgment to the

clerk of the County Court of Bedford in order to be recorded. Given under our hands & seals this 1st day of March 1847

Jno Claytor JP
Matthew Pate JP

Bedford County to Witt

We Jno Claytor justices of the peace in the county aforesaid do hereby certify that Milinda Mays the wife of Joseph W Mayse a party to the within deed bearing date on the 23rd day of February 1847 & hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our said County & being examined by privily & apart from her husband & having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Milinda Mayse declared that she had willingly signed sealed & delivered the same & that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hand & seals this 1st day of March 1847

Jno Claytor JP
Matthew Pate JP

Bedford Clerks office June 11" 1847

This deed from Joseph W Mayse & wife to Peter M Wright conveying real estate was produced in the office Certified and admitted to record

Teste
Jno R Steptoe CBC"

In May 1847 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 29/372 Thomas Mead was ordered to settle the account of Peter M. Wright as administrator of the estate of Isaiah Compton:

"It appearing to the Court that about two years ago an order was directed to be made appointing Thomas Mead Commissioner to settle the account current of the estate of Isaiah Compton deceased with Peter M. Wright his administrator and also the account current of the estate of Matthew Wright deceased with the said Peter M. Wright his administrator which orders were omitted to be made, the Court doth order that the said Thomas Mead after being first sworn for the purpose state and settle said accounts and make report thereof to Court."

On May 26, 1847, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 33/134 Peter M. Wright purchased 119 acres of land from Abraham and Polly Foutz:

"This Indenture made & entered into this May 26 day 1847 between Abraham Foutke & Polly his wife of the first part and Peter M Wright of the Second part all of the County of Bedford Witnesseth that for and in consideration of the sum of three hundred & seventy five dollars to them in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath given granted bargained sold & confirmed and by these presents doth give grant bargain sell confirm and deliver unto him the said Peter M Wright his heirs and assigns a certain tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in the County of Bedford and State of Virginia on the waters of Beaverdam Creek containing one hundred and nineteen acres and bounded as follows Viz Beginning at Wright H Wrights corner gum thence along his line S 43-1/4 E 129 poles to a stake thence N 77-1/2 E 127-1/2 poles to pointers thence N 41-1/2 W 193 poles to a gum thence S 46-1/2 W 117 poles to the begining. To have and to hold the aforesaid tract or parcel of land together with all and Singular the apurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining herein before mentioned unto him the said Peter M Wright his heirs and assigns forever and the Said Abram Fouts & Polly his wife for themselves and their heirs the Said tract or parcel of land with all & Singular the premises & appurtenances before mentioned unto the said Peter M Wright his heirs and assigns free from the claim or claims of themselves their heirs & of all & every person or persons whatsoever Shall will and do warrant & forever defend by these presents. In witness whereof the said Abraham Fouche & Polly his wife hath hereunto set their hands & seals the day & date above written

Abraham	his X mark	Foutche
Polly	her X mark	Fouts

Bedford County to Wit

We John Claytor and Matthew Pate justices of the peace in and for the County aforesaid do hereby certify that Abram Foutz party to a certain deed bearing date the 26" day of May 1827 and hereon annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and desired us to certify said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Bedford in order to be recorded Given under our hands and seals the 8th day of June 1847

Jno Claytor JP
Matthew Pate JP"

On about June 15, 1847, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Peter M. Wright filed a complaint against Brice Meador, Ewel Meador, Thomas Meador, and Ananias Meador for payment of a debt of $125:

"In the County Court of Bedford to wit;

Peter M. Wright complains of Brice Meador, Ewel Meador, Thomas Meador & Ananias Meador in Custody &c. of a plea of debt that they render unto him One hundred & twenty five Dollars which they owe to & from him unjustly detained. For that whereas the said Defts. heretofore to wit on the 25th day of December 1840 at the Parish of ____ & County aforesaid made their certain writing Obligatory sealed with their seals & to the Court now here shewn the date whereof is the day & year last aforesaid whereby they & each of them promised to pay to the said Pltff the sum of $125 for value recd on or before the 1st day of September next ensuing the date of the said writing Obligatory - Nevertheless the said Defdts although often thereunto requested have not at any time nor has either of them paid to the said Pltff the said sum of $125- or any part thereof but the same or any part thereof to him to pay they & each of them have hitherto wholly failed & refused and still fail & refuse to pay the same to the damage of the Pltffs $20 - & therefore he brings suit &c

Wingfield & Campbell p.q."

On June 15, 1847, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers a summons was issued against Brice Meador, Ewel Meador, Thomas Meador, and Ananias Meador to answer the complaint of Peter M. Wright for payment of a debt of $125:

"The Commonwealth of Virginia,
To the Sheriff of Bedford County, Greeting:

We command you to take Brice Meador, Ewel Meador, Thomas Meador and Annainas Meador if they be found within your bailiwick, and them safely keep, so that you have their bodies before the Justices of our County Court of Bedford at the Courthouse thereof on the fourth Monday in August next, to answer Peter M. Wright of a plea of debt for One hundred and twenty five dollars Damage twenty dollars And have then there this writ. Witness, John R. Steptoe, Clerk of our said Court, the 15th day of June 1847, in the 71st year of our Independence.

Jno. R. Steptoe"

On July 30, 1847, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers M. A. Jordan executed his surety bond to secure the payment by Brice Meador, Ewel Meador, Thomas Meador, and Ananias Meador of any judgment rendered against them in the suit by Peter M. Wright:

"Bedford County, to wit:

Memorandum. - That upon the 30nd day of July in the year 1847 John Board of the county of Bedford personally appeared before me M. A. Jordan Deputy Sheriff for Armistead Otey, Sheriff of the county aforesaid, and undertook for Brice Meador, Ewel Meador Thomas Meador and Annainas Meador, at the suit of Peter M Wright in an action for One hundred and twenty five dollars damage twenty dollars now depending in the County Court of the county aforesaid, that in case the said Brice Meador, Ewel Meador, Thomas Meador and Annainas Meador shall be cast in the said suit, the said Brice Meador, Ewel Meador, Thomas Meador and Annainas Meador will pay and satisfy the condemnation of the court, or render there bodies to prison in execution for the same, or that he the said John Board will do it for them Given under my hand, this 30 day of July 1847

M. A. Jordan D.S. for
Armistead Otey, S.B.C.

I John Board have acknowledged the above recognizance of bail, and in testimony thereof, have hereunto affixed my hand and seal, this 30nd day of July 1847

John Board"

On about September 23, 1847, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Peter M. Wright filed a complaint against James T. Grigsby for payment of a debt of $50 for rent:

"In the County Court of Bedford County
Bedford County, to wit;

Peter M Wright (plaintiff) complains of James T Grigsby (defendant) in custody &c. of a plea of trespass on the case for trespass of premises. And thereupon the said plaintiff saith, that heretofore, to wit, on the __ day of _____ in the year __ in the county aforesaid, the said defendant was indebted to the said plaintiff in the sum of $50. for the use and occupation of a certain parcel of land, of the said plaintiff, by the said defendant, and at his special instance and request, and by the sufferance and permission of the said plaintiff, for a long time before then

elapsed, had, held, used, occupied, possessed, and enjoyed; and being so indebted, he the said defendant in consideration thereof, afterwards, to wit, on the day and year last aforesaid, in the county aforesaid, undertook and then and there faithfully promised the said plaintiff to pay him the said sum of money above-mentioned whenever he the said defendant should be thereunto afterwards requested. And the said plaintiff further saith, that afterwards, to wit, on the __ day of ____ in the year __ in the county aforesaid, the said defendant was indebted to him in the further sum of $60. for the use and occupation of a certain other parcel of land with the appurtinances thereunto belonging, of the said plaintiff, by the said defendant, and at his special instance and request, and by the sufferance and permission of the said plaintiff, for a long time before then elapsed, had, held, used, occupied, possessed, and enjoyed; and being so indebted, he the said defendant in consideration thereof afterwards to wit, on the day and year last aforesaid, in the county aforesaid, undertook and then and there faithfully promised the said plaintiff to pay him the said last mentioned sum of money whenever he the said defendant should be thereunto afterwards requested. And the said plaintiff further saith, that afterwards, to wit, on the day and year last aforesaid, in the county aforesaid, the said plaintiff accounted with the said defendant of and concerning divers other sums of money from the said defendant to the said plaintiff before that time due and owing & then in arrear and upaid, and upon such accounting the said defendant was then and there found in arrear and indebted to the said plaintiff in the further sum of $50, and being so found in arrear and indebted, he the said defendant in consideration thereof, afterwards, to wit on the day and year last aforesaid, in the county aforesaid, undertook and then and there faithfully promised the said plaintiff to pay him the said last mentioned sum of money whenever he the said defendant should be thereunto afterwards requested. Nevertheless, the said defendant, (although often requested,) hath never as yet paid to the said plaintiff the said several sums of money above-mentioned, or any, or either of them, or any part thereof, but the same to pay the said defendant hath hitherto wholly failed and refused, and he doth still fail and refuse so to do. To the damage of the said plaintiff $50. & therefore he brings his suit &c.

Johnson & Burks P.Q."

On September 23, 1847, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers a summons was issued against James T. Grigsby to answer the complaint of Peter M. Wright for payment of a debt of $50 for rent:

"The Commonwealth of Virginia,
To the Sheriff of Bedford County, Greeting:

We command you to take James T. Grigsby if he be found within your bailiwick, and him safely keep, so that you have his body before the Justices of our County

Court of Bedford, at the Court House thereof, on the fourth Monday in November next, to answer Peter M. Wright of a plea of trespass on the case Damage fifty dollars and have then there this writ. Witness, John R. Steptoe, Clerk of our said Court, the 23rd day of September 1847 in the 72 year of our Independence.

Jno. R Steptoe"

On September 23, 1847, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers a summons was issued against Susan James and Polly James to answer the complaint of Peter M. Wright, as administrator of the estate of Jonathan James, for payment of a debt of $27.50:

"The Commonwealth of Virginia, To the Sheriff of Bedford County, Greeting:

We command you to take Susan James and Polly James if they be found within your bailiwick, and them safely keep, so that you have their bodies before the Justices of our County Court, at the Court House thereof, on the fourth Monday in November next, to answer Peter M. Wright who is styled admr. of Jonathan James deceased of a plea of debt for twenty seven dollars and fifty cents Damage twenty dollars and have then there this writ. Witness, John R. Steptoe, Clerk of our said Court, the 23d day of September 1847 in the 72nd year of our Independence.

Jno. R. Steptoe"

On October 23, 1847, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers M. A. Jordan executed his surety bond to secure the payment by Polly James of any judgment rendered against her in the suit by Peter M. Wright, as administrator of the estate of Jonathan James:

"Bedford County, to wit:

Memorandum. - That upon the 23rd day of October in the year 1847 William Redden of the county of Bedford personally appeared before me M A Jordan Deputy Sheriff for Armistead Otey, Sheriff of the county aforesaid, and undertook for Polly James who is styled adm of Jno James deceased at the suit of Peter M Wright of a plea for twenty Dollars and fifty cents in an action of debt Damage twenty Dollars now depending in the County Court of the county aforesaid, that in case the said Polly James shall be cast in the said suit, the said Polly James will pay and satisfy the condemnation of the court, or render her body to prison in

execution for the same, or that he the said William J Redden will do it for her Given under my hand, this 23" day of October 1847

M A Jordan D.S. for
Armistead Otey, S.B.C.

I William J Readden have acknowledged the above recognizance of bail, and in testimony thereof, have hereunto affixed my hand and seal, this 23 day of October 1847

William his X Mark" Redden

On October 26, 1847, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 33/601 Peter M. Wright purchased a parcel of land from John James:

"This Indenture made & entered into this 25th day of October 1847 between John James and Agness James his wife of the first and Peter M Wright of the second part all of the County of Bedford & state of Virginia Witnesseth that for and in consideration of the sum of twenty dollars to them in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath given granted bargained sold & confirmed and by these presents doth give, grant, bargain sell confirm and deliver unto him the said Peter M Wright his heirs and assigns forever one seventh part of a certain tract or parcel of land situate lying & being in the County of Bedford on Staunton River it being his undivided interest in his deceased Fathers lands (Jonathan James) To have and to hold the undivided seventh part of the whole of the lands belonging to the heirs of the said Jonathan James Deceased, together with all the priviledges and apurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining. And the said John James & Agness his wife for themselves their heirs &c the said one seventh part of the above described lands with all and singular the apurtinances and premises before mentioned unto him the said Peter M Wright his heirs and assigns free from the claim or claims of themselves their heirs and of all manner of persons whatsoever, claiming by through and under them.

In witnss whereof we have hereunto set our hands & seals the day & date first above written

Attest John James

Agness her X mark James

Bedford County to Wit

We William Mead and Matthew Pate Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid and state of Virginia do hereby certify that John James a party to a certain deed bearing date on the 25" day of October 1847 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our county aforesaid & acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and desired us to certify the said acknowledgement to the clerk of the County Court of Bedford in order that the said deed may be recorded. Given under our hands and seals this 26" day of October 1847

William Mead JP
Matthew Pate JP

Bedford County to Wit

We William Mead and Matthew Pate Justices of the peace in the county aforesaid & state of Virginia do hereby certify that Agness James the wife of John James parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 25 day of October 1847 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband & having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her the the said Agness James acknowledged the same to be her act and deed & declared she had willingly signed sealed & delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it Given under our hands and seals this 26" day of October 1847

William Mead JP
Matthew Pate JP

Bedford Clerks office June 19" 1848

This deed from John James & wife to Peter M Wright conveying their interest in the real estate of Jonathan James Decd, was produced in the office and together with the certificate thereto annexed & admitted to record

Teste
Jno R Steptoe C.B.C."

In January 1848 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 30/3 commissioners were appointed to settle the accounts of Peter M. Wright as administrator of the estates of Matthew Wright, Isaiah Compton, and Julia Compton:

"Ordered that Stephen C. Hurt and William Mead or either of them being first sworn state and settled the account current of Peter M. Wright as administrator of Matthew Wright deceased, also the account current of Peter M. Wright admr.

of Isaiah Compton deceased, and also the account current of Peter M. Wright as admr. of Julia Compton deceased and make report thereof to Court."

The 1848 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following household:

Persons Chargeable With tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses, mules, &c
Peter M Wright	2		1	11

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness and value	Stages, and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches	Patent lever or lepine silver watches

Other watches	Mettalic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50	Attorneys paying specific tax and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax
		1				

Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase including interest, profits or dividends on state or corporat'n bonds	Am't of monied income over $400, received or salaries or fees of office	Bridges - am't of yearly rent or value over $100

Ferries - am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses, and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
		1.55

The 1848 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M. Wright with the following property:

Name Of Owner	Residence	Estate, whether held in fee simple for life &c	No. of Acres	Descriptions of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Peter M Wright	Bedford	fee		1051 poles On Beaverdam Cr
do	"	"	59	On Same
do	"	"	209	On the same
do	"	"	275	On the same
do	"	"	50	On the same
do	"	"	19	On the same
do	"	"	14	On Same
do	"	"	40	On the same
do	"	"	119	Same
do	"	"	11⅞	Same
do	"	"	17	Same

Distance & bearing from the court-house	Value of land per acre, including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land & buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate	Explanations of alterations during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred
17 W	5.00		5.00	.41	
" "	5.00		295.00	.30	
15 W	4.96	200	1036.64	1.04	
17 W	4.23	200	1163.25	1.17	
18 W	2.00		100.00	.10	
22 W	2.00		38.00	.04	from William & Cringham
" "	2.50		35.00	.04	from John Cundiff Est
16 W	8.00		320.00	.32	from Joseph W. Mayse 1848
17 W	2.50		197.50	.20	from Abram Foutz 1848
" "	3.00		35.62	.04	from Roland Wheeler 1848
" "	5.50		93.50	.10	from Matthew Wright legatee

The 1848 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, also listed Peter M. Wright with the following property:

Names of Owner	Residence	Est	No. of Acres	Description or Situation of Land
Peter M Wright	Bedford	Fee	7½	Head N fork Goose Cr
" " "	"	"	7	Goose Cr.

Distance & Bearing	Value of land per Acre	Value of buildings	Value of Land and buildings	Amount of Tax
NW 15	1.00		7.50	.01
" 17	2.00		14.00	.01

The 1848 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Peter Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether life or in fee	No of Acres of Land	Residence of Land
Peter Wright	Bedford	In fee	162	Stanton
Ditto	"	"	164	"

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of Land per acre	Value of improvm	Value of land with improve-ments	Amt of Tax
20 NE	4.00	200.00	648.00	.65
"	2.00	"	328.00	.33

Explanation of alterations during the preceding year

In March 1848 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 30/36 Peter M. Wright was authorized to contract for the blowing up of a rock in the road of which he was surveyor:

> "Ordered that Peter M. Wright be allowed to contract for having the rock blown out of the road of which he is surveyor, provided the cost thereof does not exceed the sum of six dollars."

In March 1848 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 30/36 Peter M. Wright was appointed a commissioner to supervise the election of delegates to the House of Burgesses at Chamblissburg or Peatown:

> "Ordered that the following persons be appointed commissioners to superintend the Election of Delegates to the next Virginia Legislature from this County Viz.
> . . . .
>
> At Chamblessburg or Pea town. William Mead, George Johnson, Thomas Kasey Peter M. Wright and Nathaniel Newsom.
> . . . ."

On March 28, 1848, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Peter M. Wright filed interrogatories addressed to Henry W. Mosely in connection with Mosely's suit for payment for medical services:

"Mosely vs Wright. In assumpsit

The defendant wishing a discovery from the plaintiff propounds to him the following interrogatories which he requires him to answer in solemn form upon his oath or affirmation

1st When you first made your demand upon me for the services charged in the account filed with your declaration, Did you not then charge only fifty dollars? And if you demanded more than fifty dollars how much more did you demand?

2. When you demanded of me fifty dollars for the services charged in your account filed in this Cause, did I not refuse to pay you more than $20. And did you not then say to me that if I would not pay you the $50 demanded that you would sue me and would make out your account large enough so that if it was docked by the jury you will still be sure to get the $50. or words to that effect? And did I not pay you $20. and in order that you might be amply compensated for your services afterwards pay you $10 more?

3d. At the time you rendered the services for me charged in the account filed in this suit were you not attending upon Matthew Wright's family, and were you not called in from there to see my family?

4th Were not your visits to my family call visits in your going to or returning from attending on the family of Matthew Wright? And was it more than 300 yards out of your way in going to & returning from Matthew Wrights? And if so how much more?

5th When you were first employed to attend upon my family, was it not with an understanding & agreement that you were to attend to them whilst visiting Matthew Wrights family and that you were not to charge as if you had been called or sent for as a physician from your own home? And did you not cease visiting my family at the same time you ceased visiting Matthew Wright's family? If not when did you ever visit them afterwards? And were not all your visits to my family call visits, and were you ever sent for specially at your residence to see my family? if so when?

6th Was not Matthew Wright's family very sick & many of them dangerously ill and was not my family so much less dangerous or ill that I was enabled to leave them and stay with & attend upon Matthew Wright's family during the time of your services in my family a much greater part of my time than I staid with my

own family? And were you not paid for your visits to & attendance upon Matthew Wrights family as follows - by myself as heir of Matthew Wright the sum of $150. for John A Wright who was sick in same house $120. or $130. Wright H. Wright sick in same house $70. & Milly Wright sick in the same House $30 - If not how much were you paid for your services to each of the above named persons

This day Peter M. Wright came before me a justice of the peace for said County & made oath that he verily believes the answers of the plaintiff to the foregoing interrogatories will be material evidence for him on the trial of a suit depending in the County Court of Bedford in which Henry W. Mosely is plaintiff & the said affiant is Defendant. Given under my hand this 28th day of March 1848

D W Quarles J.P."

This record indicates that there may have been some general sickness that included many members of both the Matthew Wright and Peter M. Wright families and may have been the cause of Matthew Wright's death.

In June 1848 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 30/81 John A. Wharton was ordered to settle the account of Peter M. Wright as administrator of the estate of Jonathan James:

"Ordered that John A. Wharton Commissioner of this Court state and settle the account current of the estate of Jonathan James deceased with Peter M. Wright his administrator & make report to Court."

On August 19, 1848, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Henry W. Mosely answered interrogatories posed by Peter M. Wright to him in connection with Mosely's suit for payment for medical services:

"In the County Court of Bedford

Henny W. Moseley)		Answer of Plaintiff to
vs)	In case)	interrogatories filed by the
Peter M. Wright)		Defendant.

Answer to 1st Inty - I had several patients at the house of Matthew Wright near the house of the defendant; as these patients were all in the same house when I visited them I did not charge each patient with a visit but charged the visit as if to one family and apportioned it among them all - the defendant became paymaster for some of the patients at the house of Matthew Wright and on conversing with him about my charges, as his house was near there I told him I would put him on the same footing as to my account against him and that the sum of $50 would be

about what his proportion would be - In this way I agreed to take of him $50 - intending if the deft had acceded to the proposition, to take that sum as a matter of favor to him, but at the same time considering myself entitled to demand the full amount of the account filed with my declaration in this Court

Answer to 2nd Inty - When you paid me the $20. you did not refuse to pay more - I received the $20 in part of my demand against you - nothing was said at that time about your refusing or agreeing to pay more - afterwards I was informed by Wright Wright that the $20. was all you intended to pay me for my services, who complained that I was charging him more than you - that was the first intimation I had received that you intended to pay me only $20 - when I saw you afterward I told you that I had offered to take $50 of you because of my having other patients near you, that if you did not accept that offer and pay the $50 - and I should be compelled to bring suit against you that I would make off a full and proper account against you, and the jury should determine between us, the above is the substance of what I said to you - I did not say to you "that if you would not pay me the $50, I would sue you and make out my account large enough, so that if it was docked by the jury that I would still be sure to get the $50" or words to that effect" but I used words to this effect - "that if you did not pay the $50 and I was complled to sue you, I would make out a full and regular account and let the jury decide how much I was entitled to, and that I believed the jury would allow me more than $50" - my object was to give you to understand that if you did not pay the $50 which I offered to receive as a matter of favor and in a spirit of compromise that I then withdrew the proposition and would sue you for the whole account.

You paid me $10 in addition to the $20 not as I believe that I might be amply compensated for my services, but in order I suppose that you might obtain my services for as little as you possibly could, hoping that I would be satisfied with that and would remit the balance

Answer to 3rd Inty - when I was first called in to your house, I believe I was then attending upon Matthew Wrights family - and I suppose I was called in from there in the first place to see your family - but in all my other visits I left home for the purpose of visiting your house as well as the rest of my patients

Answer to 4 Inty - Your house was not I suppose more than the 300 yards out of my way in going to or returning from Matthew Wrights - but the visits paid by me at your house were not strictly call visits except the first one - as the condition of your son would have required my visits from home if I had had no other patient

Answer to 5th Inty - In reference to the services rendered your daughter there was such an understanding, she only needed occasional attention and prescription, but there was no such understanding in reference to your son - I

was employed by you to attend him in the regular way without any special agreement or understanding - I did not visit your family after I ceased visiting Matthew Wrights family - but do not recollect that I ceased visiting your son and Matthew Wrights family at the same time - during the time in which I paid the visits charged in my account in this cause I was not sent for specially at my residence to visit - your family - there being no necessity for it - as the condition of your son was such as to require my visits and attention after I had been first called in until he was convalescent without waiting to be specially sent for at my residence - all my visits to your family were not call visits as will be seen from my answer to the 4th interrogatory

Answer to 6th Inty - Some of Matthew Wrights family were very sick - some dangerously ill - some of them were more dangerously ill than your son - though your son had a long and very severe spell - I cannot say what proportion of your time you spent in Matthew Wrights family - but your son had a mother and sister to nurse him during your absence - the several amounts mentioned in this interrogatory for services rendered the different patients there mentioned, were paid to me - but they were paid me for constant and unremitting attention from the 1st August till the last of October a space of three months, and during the great part of the time seeing them every day

Bedford County to Wit - Henry W. Mosely this day personally appeared before a magistrate in & for the County aforesaid and made oath that the foregoing answers to interrogatories filed by Peter M. Wright in the case of Mosely against Wright - depending in the County Court of Bedford are true to the best of his knowledge and recollection Given under my hand this 19th day of August 1848

William Perry JP."

On August 29, 1848, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Henry W. Mosely filed interrogatories addressed to Peter M. Wright in connection with Mosely's suit for payment for medical services:

"Moseley)
vs) Interrogatories
Wright)

The Plaintiff wishing a discovery from the defendant in this cause propounds the following interrogatory which he asks he may be required to answer on his solemn oath or affirmation

Did I not attend on your son as a Physician at your house during his spell of sickness in the months of September and October 1841

Bedford County to Wit

This day Henry W. Moseley personally appeared before me a justice of the peace in & for the County aforesaid and made oath that he believes an answer to the foregoing interrogatory will be material evidence for him in the above Cause depending in the County Court of Bedford, in which he is Plaintiff and Peter M. Wright is defendant.

Given under my hand this 29 Augt 1848

John W. Holt J.P."

On November 29, 1848, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers Peter M. Wright answered the interrogatories posed by Henry W. Mosely in connection with Mosely's suit for payment for medical services:

"Wright)
ads) Answer to Plffs interrogatory
Moseley)

Answer to question - In the fall of 1841, in what months I do not particularly remember, you did attend my son as a Physician in a spell of sickness which he then had

Bedford County to wit;

Peter M. Wright this day personally appeared before me a Justice of the Peace for said County & made oath that the foregoing answer is true to the best of his recollection & belief - Given under my hand this 29" day of November 1848

Robert Campbell J.P."

The 1849 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M. Wright with the following household:

Persons Chargeable With tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses, mules, &c
Peter M. Wright	2		1	10

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness and value	Stages, and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches	Patent lever or lepine silver watches

Other watches	Mettalic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50	Attorneys paying specific tax and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax
		1				

Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase including interest, profits or dividends on state or corporat'n bonds	Am't of monied income over $400, received or salaries or fees of office	Bridges - am't of yearly rent or value over $100

Ferries - am't of yearly rent or value over $100	printing presses, and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
		1.44½

The 1849 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Name Of Owner	Residence	Estate, whether held in fee simple for life &c	No. of Acres	Descriptions of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Peter M Wright	Bedford	fee		1051 poles On Beaverdam Cr
do	"	"	59	On the Same
do	"	"	209	Same
do	"	"	275	Same
do	"	"	19	Same
do	"	"	14	Same
do	"	"	40	same
do	"	"	119	Same
do	"	"	11⅞	Same
do	"	"	17	Same

Distance & bearing from the court-house	Value of land per acre, including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land & buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate	Explanations of alterations during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred
17 W	5.00		5.00	.41	
" "	5.00		295.00	.30	
15 W	4.96	200	1036.64	1.04	
17 W	4.23	200	1163.25	1.17	
22 W	2.00		38.00	.10	
" "	2.50		35.00	.04	from William & Cringham sold for tax
" "	2.50		35.00	.04	" John Cun-diff's Est do
16 W	8.00		320.00	.32	" Joseph W. Mayse 1848
17 W	2.50		197.50	.20	" Abram Foutz
" "	3.00		35.62	.04	" Roland Wheeler "
22 W	5.50		93.50	.10	" Matthew Wright's legatees

The 1849 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, also listed Peter M. Wright with the following property:

Names of Owner	Residence	Estate, whether held in fee simple for life &c	No. of Acres	Descriptions of the land as to water courses mountains and contig-uous tracts
Peter M Wright	Bedford	fee	7½	Head N fork Goose Cr.
" " "	"	"	7	Goose Cr. James Read

Distance & bearing from the court-house	Value of land per acre, including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land & buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate	Explana-tions of alterations during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred
NW 15	1.00		7.50	.01	
" 17	2.00		14.00	.01	

On February 16, 1849, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 34/405 Peter M. Wright purchased 168 acres of land from John Q. A. Wright:

> "This Indenture made and entered into this 16" day of Feby one thousand eight hundred and forty nine between John Q. A. Wright of the County of Bedford of the first part and Peter M Wright of the aforesaid County of the other part. Witnesseth that the said John Q A Wright for and in consideration of the sum of Four hundred and sixty two dollars and ninety eight cents to him in hand paid by the said Peter M Wright the payment of which is hereby acknowledged has granted bargained and sold, and by these presents do grant bargain sell and convey unto the said Peter M Wright his heirs or assigns all the right title and interest in a tract or parcel of land containing one hundred and sixty eight acres, one rood and eighteen poles with the buildings thereon & all the privileges and appurtenances to the same belonging situate in the county of Bedford state of Virginia and lying on Beaver Dam Creek and bounded as follows viz. Beginning at Peter M Wright's own corner on said creek at station 1 thence along the line of James P Wright's lott S 9-1/4 E 56 poles to rock and locust in said line (off new line) N 67-3/4 W 64 poles to stake and stone, thence along Joel Wright's line S

54-1/2 W 53 poles to large rock on Branch S 75-1/2 W 210 poles to stake in C. Preston's line on road near a branch, thence along his line N 13 W 62 poles to pointers to corner F Johnson N 57-1/4 E at 10 poles crossing branch & along Peter M Wright's line same course 160 poles to stake N 85-1/2 E 68 poles to white oak on branch N 10 W 37 poles to pine and pointers on road, thence along the new road as it meanders to station No 12 thence along an old road N 89-1/2 E 34-3/4 poles to Beaver Dam Creek, thence down said Creek as it meanders to the first station. To have and to hold the aforesaid interest in and to the real estate aforesaid to him the said Peter M Wright his heirs representatives or assigns forever, and the said John Q A Wright hereby covenants with the said Peter M Wright, that he will and his executors administrators or assigns forever shall warrant and defend the said interest to the said Peter M Wright or assigns free from the claims of all persons. In witness whereof the said John Q A Wright has hereto set his hand and affixed his seal this date above written

Signed sealed and delivered) John Q. A. Wright
delivered in presence of)
Teste
Joseph D St. Clair
Ethelred Brown
Jaby B Deut

Bedford Clerks office September 10" 1849

This deed from John Q A Wright to Peter M. Wright conveying real estate was produced in office acknowledged by John Q A Wright and admitted to record

Teste
Jno. R. Steptoe C.B.C."

On May 29, 1849, at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers in the case of Henry W. Mosely v. Peter M. Wright the jury found for the plaintiff in the sum of $94:

"Peter M. Wright
To H. W. Moseley Dr

1843		
Sept 15th	Mea: & pres: for daughter	1.00
" 17	Call visit to same	1.00
" 23	visit to son & med	6.00
" 25	visit to son	6.00
" 26	visit to same & med	6.00
" 28	visit " "	6.00
" 29	visit " "	6.00

Oct 1st	visit " "	6.00
" "	Epish: & attendance	2.00
" 7	visit to same & med	6.00
" 8	visit " "	6.00
" 10	visit " "	6.00
" 11	visit " "	6.00
" 13	visit " "	6.00
" 14	visit " "	6.00
" 16	visit " "	6.00
" 17	visit " "	6.00
" 19	visit " "	6.00
" 20	visit " "	6.00
" 22	visit " "	6.00
" 23	visit " "	6.00
" 26	visit " "	6.00
" 27	visit " "	6.00
1843	Credits	$124.00
Apl. 25	By each	20.00
1846		
March 23	By each	10.00
		30.00
	Ballance due	94.00

We the jury find for the plaintiff and assess his damages to the sum of thirty seven dollars and fifty cents - Subject to a credit of thirty dollars paid to the plaintiff before the commencement of this suit.

Hal L Pearson"

On December 24, 1849, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 21/321 Peter M. Wright and Susan Wright sold 186 acres of land to Mary O. Wright:

"This Indenture made and entered into this 24" day of December 1849 between Peter M Wright & Susan his wife of the first part & Mary J. Wright of the second part all of the County of Bedford & State of Va. Witness that the said Peter M Wright & Susan his wife in consideration of the sum of nine hundred dollars to them in handpayed the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have bargained and sold and by these presents doth bargain sell confirm and deliver to the said Mary J. Wright her heirs & assigns a certain tract or parcel of land situate lying & being in the County of Franklin & State of Virginia on the streams of Black water River & Popplar Camp Creek and bounded as follows Begining at White Oak on Popplar Camp Creek thence North 190 poles to pointers S 75 W 21 poles to a Post Oak North 25 E 146 poles to pointers S. 60 E. 146 po to a white oak stump on Black water River thence down the same as it meanders 322 poles to the

mouth of said Creek thence up the same as it meanders 120 poles to the begining containing 186 acres by survey. To have & to hold the aforesaid tract or parcel of land together with all the priviledges and apurtinances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining unto her the said Mary J. Wright her heirs and assigns forever and the said Peter M. Wright and his wife Susan doth forever warrant & defend the right and title of the aforesaid tract of land unto the said Mary J. Wright her heirs & assigns free from the lawful claims of themselves their heirs & all manner of persons whatsoever. In witness whereof the said Peter M Wright & Susan his wife have hereunto set their hands & affixed their seals this the day & date above written signed sealed & delivered in presence of,

Peter M. Wright
Susan Wright

Bedford County To wit

We John Claytor and William Mead Justices of the peace in and for the County aforesaid do hereby certify that Peter M Wright party to a certain deed bearing date the 24" day of December 1849 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act & deed and desired us to certify said acknowledgment to the Clerk of the County Court of Franklin in order to be recorded. Given under our hands and seals this 23rd day of April 1850.

Jno Claytor J P
William Mead J P

Bedford County to wit

We John Claytor and William Mead Justices of peace in and for the County aforesaid do hereby certify that Susan Wright wife of Peter M Wright party to a certain deed bearing date the 24" day of December 1849 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and after being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having said deed fully explained to her acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed sealed & delivered the same and wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 23rd day of April 1850.

Jno Claytor JP
William Mead JP

In the Clerk's Office of Franklin County Court the 7' day of August 1850.

This Indenture of bargain and sale between Peter M Wright and Susan his wife of the one part and Mary J. Wright of the other part was exhibited into the said office and together with the certificates hereon indorsed admitted to record.

Teste.
M. G. Carper C. F. C."

The 1850 Personal Property Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M. Wright with the following household:

Persons Chargeable With tax	White males above 16 years of age	Male free negroes above sixteen	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses, mules, &c
Peter M. Wright	2		1	2	

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages, and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches	Patent lever or lepine silver watches
15					2

Other watches	Mettalic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Harps and value	Plate over the value of $50	Attorneys paying specific tax and am't of tax

Physicians and paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of interest or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase including interest, profits or dividends on state or corporation bonds	Amount of monied yearly income over received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges - yearly rent or value over $100
	$14.00		

Ferries - yearly rent or value over $100	Total amount of tax Dollars	Cents
	2.60	

The 1850 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Name Of Owner	Residence	Estate, whether held in fee simple for life &c	No. of Acres	Descriptions of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Peter M Wright	Bedford	fee		1051 poles on Beaverdam
do	"	"	209	Same
do	"	"	59	Same
do	"	"	275	Same
do	"	"	19	Same
do	"	"	14	Same
do	"	"	40	same
do	"	"	119	Same
do	"	"	11-7/8	Same
do	"	"	17	Same
do	"	"	168	Same

Distance & bearing from the court-house	Value of land per acre, including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land & buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate	Explanations of alterations during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred
17 W	5.00		5.00	.01	
" "	6.87	600	1335.83	1.34	
15 "	5.00		295.00	.30	
"	4.23		1163.25	1.17	
" "	2.00		38.00	0.04	from William & Cringham sold for tax
" "	2.50		35.00	0.04	" John Cundiff's Est Same
16 W	8.00		320.00	.32	" Joseph W. Mayse 1848
17 "	2.50		197.50	.20	" Abram Foutz
" "	3.00		35.62	.04	" Roland Wheeler
22 W	5.50		93.50	.10	" Matthew Wright's legatees
11 W	6.50		1092.00	1.10	" John Q. A. Wright

This record reflects the purchase of 168 acres of land by Bedford County Deed 34/405.

The 1850 Land Tax List for Bedford County, Virginia, also listed Peter M. Wright with the following property:

Names of Owner	Residence	Estate, whether held in fee simple for life &c	No. of Acres	Descriptions of the land as to water courses mountains and contiguous tracts
Peter M Wright	Bedford	fee	7½	Head N fork Goose Cr.
" " "	"	"	7	Goose Cr. James Read

Distance & bearing from the court-house	Value of land per acre, including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land & buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate	Explanations of alterations during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred
NW 15	1.00		7.50	.01	
" 17	2.00		14.00	.01	

The 1850 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Taxes whether in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Peter M Wright	Bedford	of fee	88	Stanton
"	"	"	86	"

Distance and bearing from the court house	Value of land per acre, including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total Value of the land and buildings	Amount of tax on on the whole tract, at the legal rate
20 NE	4.00		352.00	.36
"	2.00		172.00	.18

Explanation of alterations during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred

This record reflects the sale of 186 acres of land by Franklin County Deed 21/321.

In May 1850 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 30/369 Peter M. Wright was granted a license to keep a house of private entertainment at his house:

"On the petition of Charles M. Karr who produced the Sheriffs receipt for the tax imposed by law licensed is granted him to keep a house of private entertainment at his house in this County until the next May term of this Court.

. . . .

On the petition of Peter M. Wright The Same"

The 1850 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed two Peter Wrights, one a Peter Right, age 52, with no members of his household, and the other, Peter M. Wright with the following household:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Peter M. Right	48	M		Farmer	$4,000
Susan Right	48	F			
James M. Right	25	M			
Nancy A. Right	21	F			$500
Peter M. Right	19	M		Labourer	
Eliza A. Right	19	F			
Susan J. Right	15	F			
Stephen W. Right	13	M			
Joel W. Right	10	M			
Frances Right	8	F			
Ansolem Hooker	25	M		Labourer	

Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				

This record indicates a date of birth for Peter Meador Wright of approximately 1802. Since Matthew Wright resided in Bedford County, the place of birth of Peter Meador Wright was probably at Bedford County, Virginia.

In May 1851 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 30/520 John A. Wharton was ordered to settle the account of Peter M. Wright as guardian of Matthew Compton, Jane Compton, and Gilbert Compton:

> "Ordered that John A. Wharton commissioner of this Court state & settle the guardian account of Peter M. Wright as guardian of Matthew Compton, Jane Compton and Gilbert Compton and make report thereof to Court."

In June 1851 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 30/536 John A. Wharton was ordered to settle the account of Peter M. Wright as guardian of Isaiah Compton and Julia Compton:

> "Ordered that John A. Wharton Commissioner of this Court, state & settle the account current of Peter M. Wright as guardian of Isaiah Compton & Julia Compton & make report thereof to Court."

In June 1851 at Bedford County, Virginia, County Court Order Book 30/540 Peter M. Wright was granted permission to erect gates on a new road and was awarded $50 damages:

> "Dearing's petition for road. The proprietors having been summoned to this Court and failing to appear. On the motion of the petitioner it is ordered that the said road be established agreeably to the report of the commissioner, and leave is granted Peter M. Wright & Abijah Douglass to erect gates upon said road - and it is ordered that Peter M. Wright be allowed fifty dollars damages and that William Holliday be allowed five dollars damages, to be levied for their benefit at this term. And it is ordered that William Johnson Abijah Douglass and Silas Dearings hands open said road and put the same in good repair."

On August 25, 1851, at Bedford County Virginia, D.B. 35/366 Peter M. Wright purchased 111 acres of land from John Dent:

> "This Indenture made & entered into this 25 day of August 1851 between John Dent and Rachael his wife of the first part and Peter M Wright of the second part all of the County of Bedford & state of Virginia. Witnesseth that the said John Dent & his wife Rachael for & in consideration of the sum of three hundred and five dollars & twenty five cents to them in hand paid by the said Peter M Wright the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged by the said John Dent & his wife

Rachael who hath granted bargained sold and confirmed and by these presents doth give, grant, bargain, sell & confirm unto the said Peter M Wright his heirs & assigns a certain tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in the County & state aforesaid and on the waters of Beaverdam Creek and bounded as follows. Viz. Beginning at a large red oak, James M Wright & Bufords corner thence with Bufords line S 41-1/4 E 57 poles to pointers corner to West thence with West line S 71-1/4 E 50 poles & 20 links to pointers corner to Dooley's heirs, thence with their line N 52-3/4 E 164-1/2 poles to pointers thence off new line, N 42 W 78 poles to pointers, thence N 5-1/4 W 10 poles to corner sourwood, thence N 4 E 20 poles to a chesnut oak thence N 29-1/2 E 9 poles to 2 small red oaks, thence N 31 W 18 poles to a white oak N 65-1/2 W 42 poles to 2 small maples, thence N 23-1/2 W 10 poles to pointers in Lawhorn's line, thence with his line S 67-1/2 W 22 poles near corner hickory & pointers, thence S 37 E 38 & 20 links to corner in marked line, thence with said marked line as it meanders about 135-1/2 poles to the beginning, containing by survey 111 acres. To have and to hold the aforesaid tract or parcel of land with its appertenances unto the said Peter M Wright & his heirs. And the said John Dent and his wife Rachel for themselves and their heirs doth covenant and agree to forever warrant & defend the right & title to the aforesaid tract or parcel of land with all its appurtenances unto the said Peter M. Wright his heirs and assigns forever, against the claims or demands of all persons whomsoever. In witness whereof the said John Dent & Rachael his wife have hereunto set their hands and seals this the day & date first written signed sealed and acknowledged in the presence of

John Dent

Bedford Clerks office September 15 1851

This writing from John Dent to Peter M Wright conveying real estate produced in office, acknowledged by said Dent and admitted to record

Teste
Jno. R. Steptoe C.B.C."

On November 7, 1851, at Bedford County Virginia, D.B. 35/415 Peter M. Wright and Susan Wright sold their 1/7 interest in the land Jonathan James to James McFall:

"This Indenture made and entered into this 7th day of November 1851 between Peter M. Wright and Susan his wife of the County of Bedford and State of Virginia of the first part and James McFall of the County and State aforesaid of the second part Witnesseth, that for and in consideration of the sum of fifty dollars to them in hand paid, the receipt whereof they do hereby acknowledge, hath bargained and sold and by these presents doth bargain and sell unto him the said James McFall his heirs & assigns forever one seventh part of a certain

tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in the County of Bedford and State of Virginia and on Staunton River it being the same tract of land that was willed by Jonathan James deceased to his children, subject however to the provisions of his last will and testament. To have and to hold the one seventh of said tract of land after complying with the provisions of said decedents will, together with all the privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining and the said Peter M. Wright and his wife Susan for themselves, their heirs &c doth forever warrant and defend the right and title to the aforesaid interest of 1/7 after complying with the requisitions of the will of Jonathan James deceased unto him the said James McFall his heirs and assigns free from the claims of themselves or all manner of persons claiming by through and under them.

In Witness we the parties hereunto set our hands and seals the date first written

Signed, Sealed & -)
delivered in the)
presence of)
Peter M. Wright
Silas Dearing
Eliza A. Wright

Peter M. Wright
Susan Wright

Bedford County Court Clerks Office January 24" 1852

This deed from Peter M. Wright and Susan his wife to James McFall was produced in the office acknowledged by the said Peter M. Wright and admitted to record.

Teste
Jno. R. Steptoe ClB"

On November 18, 1851, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 36/163 Peter Meador Wright purchased 49-3/8 acres of land from George and Sarah Hubbard:

"This deed made the 18th day of Novr 1851 between George Hubbard & Sarah his Wife of the first part and Peter M Wright of the Second part, Witnesseth that the Said George Hubbard & Sarah his Wife for and in Consideration of the Sum of One hundred & forty eight dollars and 12-1/2 Cents to them in hand paid hath bargained & sold to the sd Peter M Wright a certain parcel or tract of land lying on goose creek in Bedford County, Containing by Survey 49-3/8 Acres bounded (Viz) beginning at a double locust on the bank of goose Creek Thence on the line of Johnsons heirs N 36° W 147-1/2 poles to William Hurts Corner Sasafras - thence on Hurts and Hubbard's line S 42-1/2° W 72 poles to a branch thence down sd branch as it meanders to a rock in the bend of goose creek at the

mouth of Said branch 149-1/2 poles, thence up Goose Creek as it meanders 38-3/4 poles to the beginning to have & to hold the aforesaid lands With all its appertenances unto him the sd Peter M Wright & his heirs & the said George Hubbard & Sarah his Wife do Warrant & defend the same free from the claims of themselves & their heirs & all other persons Whatsoever. In Witness We hereunto set our hands and seals the day & date above Written

George	his X mark	Hubbard
Sarah	her X mark	Hubbard

Bedford County to Wit

We C Morgan & Wm. W Reese Justices of the peace in and for the County aforesaid do hereby Certify That George Hubbard Whose name is signed to the Within deed bearing date on the 18th day of November 1851 and hereunto annexed personally came before us in our County aforesaid and State of Va and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed. Also Sarah Hubbard the Wife of the Said George Hubbard Whose name is signed to the Writing Within personally came before us in our county aforesaid and being examined by us privelly and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her, she the said Sarah Hubbard declared she had Willingly Signed Sealed and delivered the Same and that she Wished not to retract it Given under our hands and seals this 18th day of Novr 1851

C Morgan JP
Wm W Reese JP

In the Clerks office of Bedford County Court the 7th day of June 1853 This deed from George Hubbard and Sarah his Wife to Peter M Wright conveying real estate was produced in the office together with the certificate thereto annexed and admitted to record

Teste
A A Arthur CBC"

On September 9, 1852, at Bedford County Virginia, D.B. 35/610 Peter M. and Susan Wright sold 115 acres of land to James M. Wright:

"This deed made September 9th day 1852 between Peter M Wright Senr and Susan his Wife of the first part and James M Wright of the Second part all of the

County of Bedford & State of Virginia Witnesseth that in Consideration of fifteen hundred dollars to them in hand paid the Said Peter M Wright senr and his Wife Susan doth grant unto the Said James M Wright all that tract or parcel of Land Situated lying and being in the County & State aforesaid & on the Waters of Beaver dam Creek & on both sides of Keaths branch & bounded as follows Viz Begining at Wright H Wright's Corner gum on a hill near James fence and With in less than 20 poles of a branch, thence S 43-1/4° E and With Wright lines to Nancy Wright's Corner black oak, thence With her line as the fence runs to her corner pointers, thence N 36° E and as Millner Haynes old line run Crossing Keaths branch a few poles to a corner rock in the field near the said Peter M Wright old house and nearly east & Within a few yards of Said house, thence off & through the field a straight & dividing line to a new choped Corner pine at the edge of the Woods & near the branch, thence down a new fence & above said fence & choped lines to an old poplar stump in a hollow thence up the hollow to a bending Sowerwood newly choped, thence off a straight line up the ridge to a Water oak, thence on the ridge to a black oak, thence to a chesnut, thence to a black oak near an old road in the field & on the ridge, thence a straight line to Fouts prise White oak, thence a straight line through the field & a few poles north of Fouts old house to a stake in the road leading into the Bore Auger road thence along said road to Isaac James line. Thence along said line to the beginning supposed to contain 115 acres be the same more or less. Witness We the said Peter M Wright Senr and his Susan doth hereunto set their hands & affix their seals the day & date first Written

Signed Sealed & delivered in the presence of)
Eliza A Wright
John G Dent
Louisa F Wright

Peter M Wright Senr
Susan Wright

At a court held for Bedford County 22nd day of November 1852

This deed from Peter M Wright and Susan his Wife to James M Wright was produced in Court acknowledged by the Said Peter M Wright Senr & ordered to be recorded

Teste
Alban H Arthur Clk"

On September 9, 1852, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 41/540 Peter M. Wright, Sr., and Susan Wright sold 150 acres of land to Peter M. Wright, Jr:

"This deed made September 9th day 1852 between Peter M. Wright sen and Susan his wife, of the first part and Peter M Wright Jun; of the second part all of the County of Bedford & State of Virginia Witnesseth that in consideration of the (love and esteem they had for the said Peter M Wright Jun: they give the sum of three hundred dollars in the undernamed tract of land) and for the further sum of nine hundred dollars to them in hand payed by the said Peter M Wright Jun the said Peter M Wright sen and Susan his wife doth grant unto the said Peter M Wright Jun one tract or parcel of land supposed to Contain about 150 acres situate lying & being in the County & state aforesaid and on the waters of Beaver dam Creek and Bounded as follows viz Beginning at William Holladay's & Wm Johnson's corner red oak stump thence along Johnsons lines N 37-3/4° W 36 poles to a dogwood sprouts formily a white oak S 48-1/2° W 57 poles to a white oak stump thence continuing along Johnsons line to Douglass corner in said line and along Douglass line S 57-1/2° W 30-1/2 poles to a dogwood & 2 stumps on north hill side S 66-3/4° W 44 poles to sourwood stump S 79-1/4° W 10 poles to a spanish oak near a branch S 88 W 12 poles X said Branch to a maple S 72-1/4° W 21 poles to red Oak stump & sprouts S 7-1/2 W 35 poles to a hickory on the ridge & in the field thence a new straight line through the field & as the fence runs to James O Wrights corner rocks on a ridge thence with said Wrights lines to Joseph W. Mayse corner pine on pates road & near the Creek thence with said Mays lines to William Holladys corner thence with said Holladys lines to the first beginning Witness we Peter M Wright and Susan his wife hereunto annex our names and affix our seals the day & date first written

Signed Sealed and)
acknowledged)
in the presence of)
Eliza A Wright)
John G Dent)
Louisa F Wright)

Peter M Wright sen
Susan Wright

In Bedford County Court Clerk's office the 3rd day of June 1861 This deed from Peter M Wright senr & wife to Peter M Wright Jun conveying real estate was produced in said office proved according to Law by the oath of Louisa F Wright one of the subscribing Witnesses thereto, as to Peter M Wright senr. And thereafter to wit in the said office on the 24th day of August 1861. The same was again produced in said office, and further proven according to law as to the said Peter M Wright senr by the oath of Eliza A Wright another subscribing Witness thereto and admitted to record

Teste
A A Arthur CBC"

On August 1, 1853, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 36/269 Peter M. Wright purchased 100 acres of land from William Dickinson:

"This deed made this 1st day of August 1853 Between William Dickinson now of the County of Kanawha of one part and Peter M Wright of Bedford County of the other part, all of the State of Virginia: Witnesseth that in Consideration of the sum of Four hundred and fifty dollars the said William Dickinson doth grant unto the said Peter M Wright a certain tract of Land lying in Bedford County Virginia containing One hundred acres be the same more or less, it is sold by the tract, and not by the acre, and known by the purchaser Which lands adjoins James Gray & John Huddleston & others and bounded as follows. Beginning at an ash on a branch adjoining James Gray, thence off and With Kings old line S 32-1/2 E 74 poles to a forked White oak thence East 153 poles to Huddlestons Corner double dogwood, on a hill side thence with his line N 13 W 110 poles to a hickory & dogwood in a hollow thence down the same with Grays line S 75 W 17 poles to two ashes, at the head of a branch thence down said branch as it meanders with Grays line 180 poles to the beginning and the said William Dickinson doth Warrant generally the title to the within named tract of Land hereby conveyed Witness the following signature and seal

Wm Dickinson

Kanawha County to Wit

I John H Truslow a Justice of the peace for the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do certify that William Dickinson whose name is signed to the Writing above bearing date 1st day of August 1853 has acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand this 1st day of September 1853

Jno A Truslow JP

In the Clerks office of Bedford County Court the 30th day Septr 1853 This deed from William Dickinson to Peter M Wright conveying real estate was produced in the said office together with the Certificate thereto annexed and admitted to record

Teste
A A Arthur CBC"

On November 5, 1853, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 36/318 Peter M. Wright purchased 100 acres of land from Adam P. and Mary Feather and John O. and

Menerva Gilpin and Adam and Mary Feather and Juston and Patsy Wills and Thomas and Elizabeth Dooley:

"This deed made the 5th day of Novemer in the year 1853 between Adam Feather & Mary J his Wife John O Gilpin and Menerva his Wife Juston Wills & Patsy his Wife and Thomas Dooley & Elizabeth his Wife of the first part and Silas Dearing & Peter M Wright senr of the Second part. Witnesseth that in consideration of fifteen hundred and fifty dollars the Said grantors doth grant unto the Said Silas Dearing & Peter M Wright Senr all of the following property to Wit One Certain tract or parcel of Land Situate lying and being in the County of Bedford & State of Virginia and on the Waters of Beaverdam Creek Containing about 100 Acres more or less it being all of the lands given by Will in the last Will and Testament of Isaac Gilpin Decd to his Wife & Children and now of record in the Clerks office of the County Court of Bedford Which Will more fully appear by reference thereto and a certain Slave named Caroline the said grantors releases to the said grantees all their claims to the said lands and Slave. Witness the following Signatures & Seals

Adam P Feather
her
Mary Jane X Feather
mark
his
Juston X Wills
mark
her
Patsy X Wills
mark

State of Virginia)
County of Bedford) To Wit

I Washington Howell a notary public for the county of Bedford in the State of Virginia do Certify that Adam P Feather and Juston Wills Whose names are signed to the Writing above bearing date on the 5th day of November one thousand eight hundred & fifty three has acknowledged the Same before me in my county aforesaid. Given under my hand this November 5th day 1853

Washington Howell
Notary public

State of Virginia)
County of Bedford) To Wit

I Washington Howell a notary public for the County of Bedford in the State of Virginia do certify that Mary Jane Feather Wife of Adam P Feather and Patsy Wills Wife of Juston Wills Whose names are signed to the Writing above bearing date on the fifth day of November One thousand eight hundred and fifty three personally appeared before me, in the County aforesaid, and being examined by me privily and apart from their husbands, and having the Writing aforesaid fully explained to them, they the Said Mary J Feather and Patsy Wills acknowledge the Said Writing to be their acts and declared that they had Willingly executed the same, and do not Wish to retract it. Given under my hand this fifth day of November One thousand eight hundred and fifty three

Washington Howell
Notary Public

In the Clerks office of Bedford County Court the 21st November 1853

This deed from Adam P Feather & Mary Jane his Wife and Juston Wills and Patsy his Wife to Silas Dearing & Peter M Wright conveying real & personal estate was produced in the said office together With the Certificates of acknowledgment thereto annexed and admitted to record

Teste - A A Arthur CBC"

On January 3, 1854, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 37/28 Peter M. Wright purchased 106-7/8 acres of land from Silas and Mary Dearing:

"This deed made the 3rd day of January in the year one thousand eight hundred & fifty four Between Silas Dearing & Mary his wife of the one part & Peter M Wright of the other part Witnesseth that in consideration of Seven hundred & fifty dollars the Said Silas Dearing and Mary his wife doth grant unto the Said Peter M Wright all the following property to wit one certain tract or parcel of land Situate lying & being in the County of Bedford & State of Virginia and on the Waters of Beaverdam Creek containing 106-7/8 acres & bounded by the lands of John O Gilpin, James A May(?), James Gumer, Joseph W May & others & one Woman slave (Caroline) & one little girl slave Emeline the Whole of it being the property Sold to the said Silas Dearing & Peter M Wright by Adam P Feather & Mary his wife & Juston Wills & Patsy his wife & of record in the Clerks office of

Bedford and the said ___ that they Will Warrant Specially the property hereby conveyed Witness the following signatures & Seals

Silas Dearing
her
Mary X Dearing
mark

Virginia Bedford County to Wit

I Washington Howell a notary Public for the County aforesaid in the State aforesaid do certify that Silas Dearing Whose name is Signed to the Writing Within bearing date the 3d day of January 1854 has acknowledged the Same before me in my County aforesaid. I do further certify that Mary Dearing wife of Silas Dearing a party to this deed and Whose name is hereto annext after having the deed fully explained to her Seperate & aparte from her husband acknowledged the Same to be her & deed & Willingly Signed Sealed & delivered the Same before me in my County aforesaid Given under my hand this 3d of January 1854

Washington Howell NP

At a Court held for Bedford County July 24th 1854

This deed from Silas Dearing and Mary his Wife to Peter M Wright conveying both real and personal Estate was produced in Court together With the certificate of acknowledgement and relinquishment thereto annexed and ordered to be recorded

Teste
A A Arthur CBC"

On July 10, 1854, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 37/3 Peter M. Wright acted as trustee on a deed of trust executed by William R. Foster to secure a debt due to Green Dearing.

On July 19, 1854, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 37/27 Peter M. Wright purchased the interest of Isaac James, Jr., and Adaline F. James in the estate of John Thomas:

"This deed made the nineteenth day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty four between Peter M. Wright & Susan his wife of the first part & Isaac James Jr of the second part. Witnesseth that in consideration of the

sum of Six thousand dollars the said Peter M Wright & Susan his wife doth grant unto the said Isaac James Jr all their right title & interest in and to the estate of Isaac James deceased as a Legatee both real & personal and likewise all their interest in all property now in the hands & at the disposal of Mary James widow of said Isaac James deceased (both real and personal) now & for ever.

Witness the following signatures and seals.

Peter M Wright
Susan Wright

Virginia = Bedford County to Wit

I Washington Howell a notary public for the County aforesaid in the State aforesaid do certify that Peter M Wright whose name is signed to the writing above bearing date the 19th day of July 1854 has acknowledged the Same before me in my County aforesaid. I do further certify that Susan Wright the wife of Peter M Wright a party to this deed & whose name is hereto annexed after having the deed fully explained to her seperate and apart from her husband acknowledged the Same to be her act and deed & Willingly Signed delivered the Same before me in my County aforesaid.

Given under my hand this 22nd day of July 1854.

Washington Howell N.P.

In the Clerks office of Bedford County December 25th 1854.

This deed from Peter M Wright and Susan his wife to Isaac James Jr conveying real & personal estate was produced in the said office together with the certificate of acknowledgement and relinquishment thereto annexed and admitted to record

Teste
A A Arthur clk"

On July 19, 1854, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 37/179 Peter M. and Susan Wright sold their interest in the estate of Isaac James to Isaac James, Jr.:

"This deed made the nineteenth day of July in the year of __ Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty four between Peter __ Wright & Susan his wife of the first part & Isaac James Jr of __ second part. Witnesseth that in consideration of the sum of __ thousand dollars the said Peter M Wright & Susan his wife doth __ unto the said Isaac James Jr all their right title & interest __ and to the estate of Isaac

James Jr all their right title & interest __ and to the estate of Isaac James deceased as a Legatee both __al & personal and likewise all their interest in all property now in __ hands & at the disposal of Mary James widow of said Isaac __es deceased (both real and personal) now & for ever.

Witness the following signatures and seals.

Peter M Wright
Susan Wright

Virginia = Bedford County to Wit

I Washington Howell a notary public for the County aforesaid in the State aforesaid do certify that Peter M Wright whose name is __ to the writing above bearing date the 19th day of July 1854 __ acknowledged the Same before me in my County aforesaid __ do further certify that Susan Wright the wife of Peter M Wright __ party to this deed & whose name is hereto annexed after having __ deed fully explained to her seperate and apart from her husband acknowledged the Same to be her act and deed & Willingly Signed ___ the Same before me in my County aforesaid.

___ under my hand this 22nd day of July 1854.

Washington Howell N.P.

In the Clerks office of Bedford County December 25th 1854.

This deed from Peter M Wright and Susan his wife to Isaac James Jr conveying real & personal estate was produced in the said office together with the certificate of acknowledgement and relinquishment thereto annexed and admitted to record

Teste
A A Arthur clk"

On July 22, 1854, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 37/72 Peter M. Wright executed a release of a deed of trust to Fleming Neighbors:

"This Indenture made this 22nd day of July 1854 between Peter M Wright and Fleming Neighbours both of Bedford County and State of Virginia Witnesseth that for and in consideration of the full payment of a certain debt Secured in a trust deed for the benefit of Joseph P Wright Which deed bears date on the 25th day of May 1839 and of record in Bedford County Court Clerks office and Which deed Was duly assigned over to Wm Gish the 18th day of November 1844 Who

now acknowledges the full and Satisfactory payment of the same the Said Peter M Wright Releases unto the said Fleming Neighbours and his heirs all the Real and personal estate named in the before mentioned trust deed In testimony Whereof the said Peter M. Wright sets his hand & ___

Peter M Wright

Virginia Bedford County to Wit

I Washington Howell a notary Public for the County aforesaid in the State aforesaid do certify that Peter M Wright Whose name is signed to the writing above beararing date the 22nd day of July 1854 has acknowledged the Same before me in my County aforesaid Given under my this 22ond day of July 18

Washington Howell N.P__

In the Clerks office of Bedford County Court September __ 1852

This deed of Release from Peter M Wright to Fleming neighbours Was produced in the said office together With the certificate of acknowledgent thereto annexed and admitted to record

A A Arthur Clk"

On July 25, 1854, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 37/15 Peter M. Wright purchased a one-fifth interest in the estate of John Thomas from Nixon W. and Mary J. Thomas:

"This deed made the 24th day of July one thousand eight hundred and fifty four Between Nixon W Thomas and Mary J his wife and Peter M Wright Witnesseth that in consideration of the Sum of two hundred and fifty dollars the Said Nixon W Thomas & his wife Mary J doth grant unto the said Peter M Wright one fifth part of the lands owned by John Thomas and given in his last will & testament to his sons Fleming S Thomas & the said Nixon W Thomas Lemuel Thomas Eldridge Thomas & John Thomas & Said Will is now of Record in the Clerks office of the County Court of Bedford containing by recent Survey about Two hundred and eighty Six acres Witness the following Signatures and Seals

Nixon W his X mark Thomas

At a Court held for Bedford County the 24th day of July 1854 This deed from Nixon W Thomas and Mary J his wife to Peter M Wright conveying real Estate

was produced in Court acknowledged by the said Nixon W Thomas and ordered to be Recorded

Teste A A Arthur CBC"

On June 10, 1855, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 24/291 Peter M. Wright purchased a parcel of land from James D. Craft:

"This Deed made the tenth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty Six, between James D. Craft, who was appointed at the August term in 1855, by the County Court of Franklin Trustee in a Trust Deed executed by Joseph C. Howley to Stephen Wood and Benjamin Meador Trustees on the 19" day of October 1847, and each of them having departed this life the said James D. Craft was appointed Trustee in their place, of the one part and Peter M. Wright sen. of the other part witnesseth that the said James D. Craft according to the provisions of the said Trust Deed, did expose to publick sale on the 26" day of May 1856 the whole of the land mentioned in said Deed of Trust, that was bought and owned by the said Joseph C. Hawley and Peter M. Wright sen. being the highest bidder the land was cried off to him at seven hundred and twenty Dollars, and in consideration thereof the said James D. Craft doth grant with special warranty unto the said Peter M. Wright Sen. all that tract of Land above mentioned which is bounded as follows viz, Begining at Keslers or Wright's corner white oak near Meador's fence, thence a new dividing line N. 20 E. crossing road at 5 poles crossing Hawley's spring branch at 48 poles, in all 86 poles, to a dead pine with the top broken off thence N. 38/1/4 W +ing branch at 36 poles in all 64 poles to an apple tree in the field, thence N. 3/4 E. 50 1/4 poles to a double white oak stump Arrington's corner, thence off, & probably along Arrington's lines, to Staunton River thence up and with the river +ing Hardy's road to a bluff & corner there thence with the lines as described in a deed of conveyance from John K. Ferguson to the said Wright & of record in Franklin County Clerks Office, around said land to the begining. Witness the following signatures and seal.

James D. Craft

In the Clerks Office of Franklin County Court the 26" day of July 1856.

This Deed from James D. Craft Trustee to Peter M. Wright Sen, was acknowledged in the said Office by the said Craft and admitted to record.

Teste.
Ro. A. Scott C. F. C."

On July 6, 1855, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 37/427 Peter M. Wright acted as trustee on a deed of trust executed by Samuel A. Adams to secure a debt due to Grief R. Adams.

On August 29, 1855, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 38/80 and on October 4, 1855, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 38/81 a Peter M. Wright purchased 178 acres of land from John and Rachel Dent and 72 acres of land from William and Martha Franklin, respectively, but it is unclear whether this was Peter Meador Wright, Sr., or Jr.

The birth record of Major, a slave of Peter M. Wright, Sr., was dated in December 1855 at Bedford County, Virginia, and listed the following information:

"Name of Child:	Major
Date of Birth:	December 1855
Status:	Slave
Sex:	Male
Born:	Alive
Owner's Name:	Peter M Wright Sr.
No. at Birth:	1"

On April 18, 1856, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 38/273 Peter M. Wright purchased 282-1/4 acres of land from James F. Johnson as commissioner, but it is unclear whether this was 1860 Peter M. Wright or 1888 Peter M. Wright.

On June 10, 1856, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 24/291 Peter M. Wright, Sr., purchased a parcel of land from James D. Craft, as trustee:

> "This Deed made the tenth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty Six between James D Craft who was appointed at the August term in 1855, by the County Court of Franklin Trustee in a Trust Deed executed by Joseph C. Howly to Stephen Wood and Benjamin Meador Trustees on the 19" day of October 1847, and each of them having departed this life the said James D. Craft was appointed Trustee in their place, of the one part and Peter M Wright sen of the other part Witnesseth that the said James D. Craft according to the provisions of the said Trust Deed, did impose to publick sale on the 24" day of May 1856 the whole of the land mentioned in said Deed of Trust that was bought and owned by the said Joseph C Howly and Peter M Wright sen being the highest bidder the land was cried off to him at seven hundred and twenty Dollars, and in consideration thereof the said James D Craft doth grant with special warranty unto the said Peter M. Wright Sen. all that tract of Land above mentioned which is bounded as follows Viz. Begining at Keslers or Wrights corner white oak near Meador's fence, thence a new dividing line N 20 E

crossing road at 5 poles crossing Howly's spring branch at 48 poles, in all 86 poles to a dead pine with the top broken off thence N 38-1/4 W +ing branch at 36 poles in all 64 poles to an apple tree in the field, thence N 3/4 E 50-1/4 poles to a double white oak stump Arrington's Corner, thence off & probably along Arrington's lines, to Staunton River thence up and with the river +ing Hardy's road to a bluff & corner there thence with the lines as described in a deed of conveyance from John K. Ferguson to the said Wright & of record in Franklin County Clerks Office, around said land to the begining. Witness the following signatures and seal.

James D. Craft

In the Clerks Office of Franklin County Court the 26" day of July 1856.

This Deed from James D. Craft Trustee to Peter M. Wright Sen. was acknowledgedin the said Office by the said Craft and admitted to record.

Teste,
Ro A Scott C.F.C"

On June 21, 1856, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 38/355 Peter M. Wright, Sr., acted as trustee on a deed of trust executed by John Langhorn.

On June 21, 1856, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 38/356 Peter M. Wright, Sr., acted as trustee on a deed of trust executed by Jesse B. Carol to secure a debt due to John Langhorn.

On September 19, 1856, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 38/453 Peter M. Wright purchased 230 acres of land from Mary Bandy and Samuel W. and Elizabeth Bandy:

"This deed made the nineteenth day of September one thousand eight hundred and fifty six Between Mary Bandy, Samuel W Bandy and Elizabeth his wife of the one part and Peter M. Wright of the other part. Witnesseth that in consideration of one thousand six hundred dollars to them in hand paid the said Mary Bandy Samuel W. Bandy & his wife Elizableth doth grant unto the said Peter M. Wright all that tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in the County of Bedford & on the waters of Staunton River and falling creek and the whole of the several tracts on which the said Bandys now reside containing 230 acres and bounded as follows Viz beginning at a corner sourwood in Feathers line thence along his line S 24° W 10 poles to a dead black gum thence S 19 W +ing a branch at 5-1/2 poles in all 65.32 poles to an apple tree in the edge of a field thence N 68-1/4° W 52.68 poles to Beverly Corley corner pile of Stone (formerly a gum)

thence along his line S 44° W +ing branch at 14 poles in all 158-1/2 poles to a white oak on Bandy's road thence down said road as it meanders S 56 E 22.68 poles S 14-1/2 E 21 poles S 54 E 32.68 poles S 73-1/4 E 28.20 poles S 67-1/2° E 31.16 poles N 84-1/2 E 10 poles to pointers dead black oak and green pine on south side of said road thence off and along Joseph Hardy's line S 36-1/2 E 30-1/2 poles to a small hickory on a ridge thence S 74° E 61 poles to a red oak about 3 poles on the north side of a branch thence along Wm Anderson's & Cornelius Bandys line down the river clift N 31-1/2° E 98 poles to a white oak and pointers to the widdow Bandys corner thence N 23-1/4 E 60 poles to a double Stump near the grave yard thence S 59-3/4° E 9 poles to a white oak in Bandy's line thence N 27-1/4° W 90 poles to a locust in Cawleys line thence along his line N 74-1/4° W 24 poles to a hickory thence N 89-1/4 E 33.20 poles to a hickory S 28-1/2 W 5 poles to a small oak thence N 86-1/2 W 12 poles to a pine thence S. 8 W 10.20 poles to a Stake Thence S 70 W 38 poles to a black oak thence S 88-1/4 W 36 poles to a chesnut thence N 59 W 240 poles to a black oak thence N 79-1/4 W 34.40 poles to a pine thence N 68-1/2 W 5 poles to the begining also all that piece of land which lies in Beverly Corley's field which was owned by Thomas Bandy in his life time if any there be not lawfully disposed of and that the said grantors releases to the said grantee all their claims upon the said land and that they will warrant generally the property hereby conveyed and that the grantee shall have quiet possession of the said land free from all incumbrances.

Witness the following signatures & seals

her
Mary X Bandy
mark
Saml. W Bandy
Elizabeth Bandy

State of Virginia)
County of Bedford) to wit

I Washington Howell a justice of the peace for the county aforesaid in the State of Va do certify that Mary Bandy and Samuel W Bandy whose names are signed to the writing within bearing date on the 19th day of September 1856 have acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid.

Given under my hand this September 19th day 1856.

W. Howell JP

State of Virginia)

County of Bedford) to wit

We Washington Howell & Peter M Wright justices of the peace for the County aforesaid in the State aforesaid do certify that Elizabeth Bandy the wife of Samuel W Bandy whoses names are signed to the writing within bearing date on the 19th day of September 1856 personally appeared before us in the County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Elizabeth Bandy acknowledged the said writing to be her act and declared that she had willingly executed the same and does not wish to retract it.

Given under our hands this 19th day of September 1856.

Washington Howell JP
Peter M. Wright JP.

In the Clerk's office of Bedford County Court the 22on day of September 1856. This deed from Mary Bandy Samuel Bandy & wife to Peter M. Wright conveying real estate was produced in said office and together with the certificate thereto annexed and admitted to record

Teste
A A Arthur Clk"

On November 10, 1856, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 38/502 a Peter M. Wright purchased 48 acres of land from Pryor S. and Martha M. Wooldridge:

"This deed made the tenth day of November one thousand eight hundred and fifty six Between Pryor S Woolridge and Martha M his wife and Peter M Wright, Witnesseth that in consideration of one hundred and seventy five dollars to them in hand paid the said Pryor S. Wooldridge and Martha M his wife doth grant unto the said Peter M Wright all that tract or parcel of land which he purchased of Alexander Gray & his wife Lucinda containing 48 acres and lying and being in the County of Bedford and on the head waters of Beaverdam creek & bounded as follows Beginning at Peter M Wrights and Dents corner pointers on a branch thence off with Wrights line S 67-3/4 W 52 poles to pointers on a road thence up the road as it meanders N 10-1/4 W 13 poles N 49-1/4° W 21 poles N 12-1/2° W 10 poles N 33° W 11 poles N 25 W 10 poles N 31-1/2 W 17.60 N 49-1/2 W 18 poles S 66-1/4 W 14 poles N 62° W 12 poles N 44-1/2 W 17.24 poles to pointers thence off from road N 33 E 85.50 poles to forked chesnut oak in ivy cliff thence new line S 18° E 48 poles to Chesnut oak on a ridge thence S 27° E crossing brance at 23 poles in all 33 poles to a small chesnut oak and pointers near forks of branch thence down the branch S 56° E 28 poles to pointers on said branch thence S 38-1/4 E crossing to south side branch 36.39 poles to a white oak

thence S 31° E 32.64 poles to the first Station and that they will warrant generally the property hereby conveyed and that they have the right to convey the said land to the grantee and that the grantee shall have quiet possession of the said land free from all incumbrances

Witness the following signatures and seals

Pryor S. Wooldridge
Martha M. Wooldridge

State of Virginia)
County of Bedford) to wit

I Isaac James Jr a Justice of the peace for the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do certify that Pryor S Wooldridge whose name is signed to the writing above bearing date on the 10th day of November 1856 has acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand this 10th day of November 1856.

Isaac James Jr JP.

State of Virginia)
County of Bedford) to wit

We Isaac James Jr and Peter M Wright Justices of the peace for the County of Bedford in the State of Virginia do certify that Martha M Wooldrige the wife of Pryor S Wooldridge whose names are signed to the writing above bearing date on the 10th day of November 1856, personally appeared before us in the County aforesaid and being examined by us privily, and a apart from her husband and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Martha M Wooldridge acknowledged the said writing to be her act and declared that she had willingly executed the same and does not wish to retract it. Given under our hands this 10th day of November 1856

Isaac James Jr J.P.
Peter M Wright J.P.

In the Clerk's office of Bedford County Court the 24th day of November 1856. This deed from Pryor S Wooldridge and wife to Peter M Wright conveying real estate was produced in said office and admitted to record

Teste
A A Arthur Clk"

It is possible although not probable, that the purchaser was Peter Meador Wright, Jr, rather than Peter Meador Wright, Sr.

The 1857 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Peter M Wright with the following property:

Owner	Residence	Estate	# of Acres	Name of Tract
Peter M Wright	Bedford	fee	143	
Peter M Wright	"	"	152	

Description	Distance from CH	Value	Sum Added	Total Value	Amt of Tax
Stanton River	12 NW	4.00	500	572.00	2.29
Stanton River	12 NW	4.00	500	608.00	2.43

Amount of Tax	Explanation of Alteration
	from J. C. Hawley trustee by deed

On January 6, 1857, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 38/562 a Peter M. Wright purchased 127-1/4 acres of land from Daniel Fields and Daniel Foutz, as commissioners of the estate of John Buford:

> "This deed made the 6th day of January in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty seven Between Daniel Fields and Daniel Foutz Commissioners appointed by the County Court of Bedford about the year 1852 to sell the lands beloning to the Estate of John Buford deceased of the one part and Peter M Wright of the other part. Witnesseth whereas the said Daniel Fields & Daniel Fouts Commissioners as aforesaid acting under a decree of said Court did proceed to divide and sell to the highest bidder said lands in Specified tracts and the said Peter M Wright being the highest bidder and purchaser of lot No. One at five dollars and fifty cents per acre and having paid to us the whole of the purchase money for 127-1/4 acres we grant with general warrantee unto the said Peter M Wright all that tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in the County of Bedford on the waters of Beaverdam creek and bounded as follows to wit. Begining at a pine on bore auger road near Feathers Smith Shop also near the site of an old meeting house S 1/2 W +ing 2 branches 192 poles & 12 links to

a red oak corner to Wright & James thence S 42-3/4(?) E crossing a branch 140 poles & 12 links to pointers thence N 80-1/4 E +ing Burnett's road 111 poles to Burnett's corner pointers thence N 27-1/4 W 75 poles to new corner pointers thence N 88 W a new dividing line crossing a branch 175 poles 13 links to the first station and whereas we the grantors acting as commissioners as above Stated have the right to convey the said land to the grantee. Witness the following signatures and seals.

Daniel Fields
Daniel Fouts

In the Clerk's office of Bedford County Court the 13th day of January 1857 This deed from Daniel Fields and Daniel Fouts commissioners to Peter M. Wright conveying real estate was produced in said office and acknowledged by the said Fields and Fouts and admitted to record

Teste
A A Arthur Clk"

It is possible, but not probable, that the purchaser of this land was Peter Meador Wright, Jr., rather than Peter Meador Wright, Sr.

On February 17, 1857, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 39/48 a Peter M. Wright purchased 100 acres of land from James T. Bowles and Martha E. Bowles:

"This Deed made the seventeenth day of February one thousand eight hundred and fifty seven Between James T Bowles and Martha E his wife of the first part and Peter M Wright of the second part Witnesseth, that in consideration of six hundred and fifty dollars the said James T Bowles and Martha E his wife doth grant unto the said Peter M Wright all that tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in the County of Bedford on both sides of Hopkins mill road & partly on the waters of Beaverdam Church it being the whole of that tract of land owned by John Lancaster in his life time except what his son Lewis Lancaster had Deeded to him off said tract it being all that portion which his son Thomas Lancaster received & was by him and his wife deeded to Benjamin Bowles and by Benjamin Bowles and his wife to the said James T Bowles and is bounded as follows. Beginning at a fallen down corner on a ridge nearly east of the house in the woods it being corner to James D K Mayse George Clark & to said Bowles thence off and with Clarks line through his new ground to a corner planted stone former corner being gone thence off down the hill a few yards crossing a branch & alon the fence up the hill cross the above named road with Clarks line to the head of a branch thence down the same to James O Wrights corner maple thence with his line to Joel Wright's line & with said Joels to Benjamin Bowles line & with his line to Mayse line & with his to the beginning supposed to contain

100 acres and that they will warrant generally the property hereby conveyed and that the grantee shall have quiet possession of the said land free from all incumbrances and that he will execute such further assurances of the said lands as may be requisite.

Witness the following signatures and seals

James T Bowles
Martha E Bowles

State of Virginia)
Bedford County) to wit

I Isaac James Jr a justice of the peace for the County aforesaid in the State aforesaid do certify that James T. Bowles whose name is signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the 17" day of February 1857 has acknowledged the same before me in my county aforesaid.

Given under my hand this 21" day of February 1857

I James Jr J.P.

State of Virginia)
Bedford County) to wit

We I James Jr and Washington Howell Justices of the Peace for the County aforesaid in the State aforesaid do certify that Martha E Bowles the wife of James T Bowles whose names are signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the 17" day of February 1857 personally appeared before us in the County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband & having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Martha E Bowles acknowledged the said writing to be her act and declared that she had willingly executed the same & does not wish to retract it. Given under our hands this 21" day of February 1857

I James Jr JP
W Howell J.P.

In the Clerk's office of Bedford County Court the 23" day of Feby 1857. This Deed from James T Bowles & wife to Peter M Wright conveying real estate was

produced in said office together with the certificates thereto annexed and admitted to record.

Teste
A A Arthur Clk"

It is unclear at this time whether the purchaser was Peter Meador Wright, Sr., or Jr., but was probably Peter Meador Wright, Sr.

On June 20, 1857, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 39/203 Peter M. Wright and Susan Wright sold 97-1/4 acres of land to Williamson Burnett:

"This Deed made the 20th day of June 1857 Between Peter M Wright & Susan his wife of the one part and Williamson Burnett of the other part. Witnesseth that in consideration of five hundred and thirty nine dollars the said Peter M Wright and Susan his wife doth grant unto the said Williamson Burnett all that tract of land situate lying & being in the County of Bedford on the waters of Beaverdam creek containing by recent survey ninety seven and one fourth acres be the same more or less and Bounded as follows Viz. Begining on a branch in Williamson Burnett's line thence along his line N 43-3/4 E 43 poles to pointers thence N 80-1/4 E 111 poles to pointers thence N 27-1/4 W 75 poles to pointers N 88 W 175.52 poles to a pine in the fork of a road near Adam Feather's Smith Shop thence off S 1/2 W 28 poles to said branch thence down the same as it meanders S 59 E 12.24 poles S 27 E 37 poles S 59 W 20 poles S 2-1/2 W 532 po passing the mouth of another branch S 80-1/2 E 41 poles S 24-3/4 E 34 poles to the beginning

Witness the following signatures & seals

Peter M Wright
Susan Wright

At a Court held for Bedford County the 23" day of June 1857. This Deed from Peter M Wright and wife to Williamson Burnett conveying real estate was produced in Court acknowledged by said Peter M Wright & ordered to be recorded.

Teste
A A Arthur Clk"

On December 4, 1857, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 25/235 Peter M. Wright purchased 180 acres of land from Joseph C. and Elizabeth Hawley:

"This Deed made the 4th day of December 1857 between Joseph C. Hawley & Elizabeth his wife of the first part, & Peter M. Wright of the second part. Witnesseth that in consideration of the sum of Forty Dollars the said Joseph C. Hawley & Elizabeth his wife doth grant unto the said Peter M. Wright all that tract of land lying in the County of Franklin near Hardy's ford on Staunton River containing 180 acres be the same more or less, bounded by the lands of Jacob Kesler & others, it being the same land sold under Trust Deed by James D. Craft Trustee for Jos C. Hawley & by said Craft, deeded to Peter M. Wright in the year 1856 & of record in the Clerks office in the County Court of Franklin.

Witness the following Signatures & seals

her
Elizabeth X Hawley
mark

State of Virginia
County of Bedford - To Wit:

We F. H. Jeter and J. M. Matthews Justices for the County of Bedford in the State of Virginia do certify that Elizabeth Hawley the wife of Jos C. Hawley whose name and signed to the writing above bearing date on the 4" day of Dec. 1857 personally appeared before us in the County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her, She the said Elizabeth Hawley acknowledged the said writing to be her act and declared that she had willingly executed the same, and does not wish to retract it.

Given under our hands this 4th day of Dec'r 1857.

F. H. Jeter J. P.
J. M. Matthews J. P.

In the Clerks Office of Franklin County Court the 1st day of March 1858. This Deed from Elizabeth Hawley to Peter M. Wright was exhibited into the said office and together with the certificate hereon endorsed admitted to record.

Teste
Ro. A. Scott C. F. C."

On December 9, 1857, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 39/497 Peter Wright and Susan Wright sold 49-3/8 acres of land to Drewry Johnson and Thomas Johnson:

"This Deed made the 9th day of December 1857 Between Peter M Wright and his wife Susan of the first part and Drewry Johnson and Thomas Johnson of the second part. Witnesseth that in consideration of the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars the said Peter M Wright and Susan Wright his wife doth grant with generalty unto the said Drewry Johnson and Thomas Johnson all that certain tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in the county of Bedford on Goose creek containing 49-3/8 acres be the same more or less and bounded as follows to wit. beginning at double locust on the bank of Goose creek thence on the line of said Johnson's N 36 W 147-1/2 poles to Wm Hurts corner sassafras thence on Hurts line S 42-1/2 W 72 poles to a branch thence down said branch as it meanders to a rock in in the head of Goose creek at the mouth of said branch 149-1/2 poles thence up Goose creek as it meanders 38-3/4 poles to the beginning this land is sold by the price & not by the acree & it sold for cash before the delivery of these presents.

Witness the following signatures and seals

Peter M Wright
Susan Wright

In Bedford County Court Clerk's office March 22 1858. This Deed from Peter M Wright & wife to Drewry Johnson & Thomas Johnson conveying real estate was produced in said office acknowledged by said Wright and admitted to record.

Teste
A A Arthur CBC"

The 1858 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Peter M. Wright with the following property:

Owner	Residence	Estate	# of Acres	Name of Tract
Peter M. Wright	Bedford	fee	143	
Peter M. Wright	"	"	152	

Description	Distance from CH	Value	Sum Added	Total Value	Amt of Tax
Stanton River	12 NW	4.00		572.00	2.29
Stanton River	12 NW	4.00		608.00	2.43

Amount of Tax	Explanation of Alteration

On March 1, 1858, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 39/583 Peter M. Wright purchased 110 acres of land from Christopher and Lucy Ann Neighbors:

"This Deed made the 1st day of March in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty eight Between Christopher Neighbours and Lucy Ann Neighbours his wife of the one part and Peter M Wright of the other part Witnesseth that in consideration of the sum of six hundred dollars the said Christopher Neighbours and Lucy Ann his wife doth grant with general warranty unto the said Peter M Wright all that certain tract or parcel of land situate lying & being in the County of Bedford on the waters of Falling creek & it being the same that I now live upon containing One hundred and ten acres and bounded as follows. Beginning at Horns or Frailings corner white oak at the foot of a hill on the south side of Falling creek thence along Horns or Frailings line S 23 W 4-1/2 poles to corner pointers thence N 45 W 24 poles to pointers formerly a pine N 58 W 86 poles to pointers & pine Stump N 81 W 56 poles to a white oak thence S 68-1/2 W 91 poles to a white oak thence N 53 E 38 poles to a branch thence down the same as it meanders N 28 E 16 poles N 50-1/2 E 18-1/2 poles to corner red oak thence N 18 W 56 poles to corner pine N 59-1/2 W 79 poles to a pine N 79-3/4 W 64 poles to pointers formerly a pine N 51-1/2 W 39-1/2 poles to Howells corner pine thence S 30-3/4 E 72 poles to pointers N 67 E 86 poles to a poplar on the creek thence N 62 E 78 poles to pointers near Howells road N 42 E 24-1/2 poles to a pine thence S 3-1/2 E 12 poles to pointers thence S 40 W 38 poles to pointers thence S 6 W 52 poles to pointers thence S 52 W 59 poles to pointers thence S 54 E 190 poles to a poplar thence N 53-1/2 E 60 po to corner pine thence S 1-1/2 E 51 poles to a pine Stump thence S 45 E 24-1/2 poles to pointers at the beginning the said Christopher Neighbours and Lucy Ann his wife covenants that they will warrant generally the property hereby conveyed and that they have the right to convey the said land to the grantee and that the grantee shall have quiet possession of the said land free from all incumbrances and that they will execute such further assurances of the said land as may be requisite. Witness the following signatures & seals

Christopher Neighbours
Lucy A Neighbours

Bedford County to wit

I James M Matthews a Justice for the county aforesaid in the State of Virginia do certify that Christopher Neighbours party to a certain deed bearing date on the

1st day of March 1858 and hereto annexed has acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid.

Given under my hand this 3d day of March 1858

James M Matthews JP

State of Virginia)
County of Bedford) to wit

We Washington Howell and James M Matthews Justices for the County aforesaid do certify that Lucy Ann Neighbours wife of Christopher Neighbours whose name is signed to the writing above and hereto attached bearing date on the 1st day of March 1858 has acknowledged the same before us in our County aforesaid and after having the deed fully explained to her privily and apart from her husband she declared that she had executed it willingly without fear threat or persuasion of her husband & that she wished not to retract it.

Given under our hands this 3d day of March 1858

Washington Howell JP
J M Matthews JP.

In Bedford County Court Clerk's office May 24th 1858. This Deed from Christopher Neighbours & wife to Peter M Wright conveying real estate was produced in said office together with the certificates thereto annexed and admitted to record

Teste
A A Arthur CBC"

On March 15, 1858, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 25/348 Peter M. and Susan Wright sold 177 acres of land to Henry H. Kesler:

"This Deed made the 15" day of March 1858, between Peter M. Wright and Susan Wright his wife of the one part, and Henry H. Kessler of the other part. Witnesseth that in consideration of Nine hundred Dollars the said Peter M. Wright and Susan his wife, doth grant unto Henry H. Kessler all that tract or parcel of land situate lying & being in the County of Franklin, on the waters of Staunton River, Containing by recent survey 177 acres 0 Rood & 2 Poles, and bounded as follows To Wit: Begining at a Sourwood Stump on the Ninevah meeting house road, near Hopkins old Coal yard, thence with his line S 28 1/2 W 8.52/100 poles to a white oak, thence N 82 1/4 W 37.80 poles to a white oak, Hawley's corner, thence a new dividing line, N 20 E 86 poles to a dead pine, thence N 38 1/4 W 64 poles to a apple tree on a ridge in the field, thence N 3/4 E

50 1/4 poles to a double white oak stump Arrington's corner, thence with his lines N 49 3/4 E 22.48 poles to a pine, thence N 60 3/4 E 40.72 poles, N 46 1/2 E 22 poles, N 57 3/4 E 13 poles, N 28 1/2 E 18.52 poles to a double post oak Stump, thence S 44 3/4 E 93.16 poles, S 29 3/4 W 92 poles, thence S 7 E 13.20 poles thence S 43 1/2 W 34.80 poles, thence S 47 1/2 W 108 poles, thence N 84 1/4 W 33.20 poles to the begining. This land is sold by the piece & not by the acre, and a lien is retained on the land for Seven hundred & two Dollars, with interest from 26" March 1855. Subject to a credit of five hundred Dollars, paid the 7" day of July 1856. Witness the following Signatures and seals.

Peter M. Wright
Susan Wright

State of Virginia)
Bedford County) To Wit:

We James M. Matthews and Washington Howell Justices of the County aforesaid, do Certify do certify that Susan Wright wife of Peter M. Wright whose name is signed to the writing above bearing date, the 15" day of March 1858, personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and after having the writing above fully explained to her privily & apart from her husband, she the said Susan Wright acknowledged the same to be her act & deed and said that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands this March 27" 1858.

Jas M. Matthews J. P.
Washington Howell J. P.

Bedford County Va. State To Wit:

I James M. Matthews a Justice for the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia, do certify That Peter M. Wright whose name is signed to the writing above bearing date, the 15" day of March 1858, has acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand this March 27" 1858.

James M. Matthews J. P.

In the Clerks Office of Franklin County Court the 2" day of August 1858.

This Deed from Peter M. Wright and Susan his wife to Henry H. Kessler was exhibited into the said office and together with the certificates hereon endorsed admitted to record.

Teste
Ro. A. Scott C. F. C."

On March 25, 1858, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 39/582 Peter M. and Susan Wright sold a tract of land to Jackson Holdron:

"This Deed made the 25th day of March 1858 Between Peter M Wright and Susan Wright his wife of the one part and Jackson Holdron of the other part. Witnesseth that in consideration of the sum of two hundred and sixty dollars the said Peter M Wright and Susan Wright his wife doth grant with general warranty unto the said Jackson Holdron a certain piece of land situate lying and being in the County of Bedford on the waters of Beaverdam creek adjoining the lands of Daniel Fouts & said Jackson Holdron & others and is bounded as follows. Beginning at a planted Stone former corner being gone on the path leading to said Holdrons corner Daniel Fouts thence with his line to his corner chesnut near the fence at his field thence off & up the mountain with said Holdrons line to a gum on the face of the mountain thence off with his line down the hill + the creek passing near his old house to the mountain road & pointers near said Wrights fence thence off and with said road through the enclosure crossing creek or branch as designated by fresh chops with a large ax to the foot of a hill on the west side of said branches in old field to pointers thence off & cross the hill passing close to Jones old house to the path outside the fence to pointers thence off and nearly with the menadering of the path to the first station this land is sold by the piece & not by the acre and a lien is retained on the land for the whole of the purchase money and all the rails in the fence & out of it are reserved for the use of said Wright and it is supposed forty acres

Witness the following signatures & seals

Peter M Wright
Susan Wright

State of Virginia)
Bedford County) to wit

We James M Matthews and Washington Howell Justices of the County aforesaid do certify that Susan Wright wife of Peter M Wright whose name is signed to the writing above bearing date the 25th day of March 1858 personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and having the writing above fully explained to her privily and apart from her husband she the said Susan Wright acknowledged the same to be her act and deed, and said she wished not to retract it Given under our hands this 27th day of March 1858.

Jas. M Matthews J.P.
Washington Howell J.P.

In Bedford County Court Clerk's office May 24" 1858

This Deed from Peter M Wright and wife to Jackson Holdren conveying real estate was produced in said office acknowledged by said Peter M Wright together with the certificate thereto annexed and admitted to record.

Teste
A A Arthur CBC"

On September 8, 1858, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 40/105 Peter M. Wright purchased 73 acres of land from C. Pate and Joel Franklin, as trustees under a deed of trust:

"This Deed made this 8th day of September 1858 between C Pate & Joel Franklin trustees of the one part in a certain deed of trust from Lawson Franklin for the benefit of S C Hurt & Co date 12th July 1842 & recorded in Bedford County Clerk's office & Peter M Wright of the other part. Witnesseth that the said C Pate & Joel Franklin trustees sold to the Said Peter M Wright at public sale as the highest bidder for the sum of two hundred & seventy five dollars in hand paid two certain tract of land conveyed in said deed containing Seventy three acres more or less & bounded as follows. Beginning at William Millers corner gum on a small branch, thence with Thomas's line N 12 W 154 poles to Clark's corner pointers thence with his line N 85-1/4 E 64 poles to a Small chesnut oak on the South Side of a mountain S 12-3/4 W 44 poles to a Box oak S 70 E 54 poles to pointers & a Stake in the field & thence S 41-1/4 W 132 poles to the beginning Also one other tract at the Same time & upon the same terms & as a part of the before mentioned Seventy three acres. Beginning at a Dogwood Thomas's line Off new lines N 63 E 100 poles to three Small Sourwoods in McManaways line thence along his line N 24 W 42 poles to two Small poplars & a small locust, thence along Franklins lines S 44 W 106 poles to a gum on Thomas's line & along his line S 20 E 6 poles to the beginning. To have & to hold the aforesaid tracts or parcels of land unto him the Said Peter M Wright his heirs &c & we bind ourselves to warrant such title only as is vested in us as trustees to the aforesaid deed & none other. Witness our hands and seals the day & year above written

C Pate
Joel Franklin

In Bedford County Court Clerk's office September 8th 1858 This Deed from C Pate & Joel Franklin trustees to Peter M Wright conveying real estate was produced in said office acknowledged by said C Pate and as to him admitted to record and thereafter, to wit. In the Clerks Office of said Court the 19th day of

February 1859. This deed was also acknowledged by said Franklin & admitted to record

Teste
A A Arthur CBC"

It is unclear whether the purchaser was Peter Meador Wright, Sr. or Jr., but was probably Peter Meador Wright, Sr.

On December 24, 1858, at Franklin County, Virginia, D.B. 25/482 Peter M. and Susan Wright sold 180 acres of land to James C. Kasey:

"This Deed made the 24" day of December in the year of our Lord 1858, between Peter M. Wright and Susan Wright his wife of the one part, and James C. Kasey of the other part Witnesseth that for the sum of Six hundred Dollars to them secured by the said James C. Kasey, they the said Peter M. Wright and his wife Susan doth grant unto the said James C. Kasey with general warranty, to one half and with special warranty to the other half of a certain tract or parcel of land supposed to contain about 180 acres, situate lying & being in the County of Franklin on Staunton River & on both sides of Hardy's road, it being the same tract of land that Joseph C. Hawley conveyed in trust some years since to Stephen Wood and Benjamin Meador both now deceased and was in the year 1856 sold by James D. Craft Trustee in their stead, & the said Peter M. Wright, and the said James C. Kasey were joint purchasers at said sale, & the title was by the said James D. Craft made wholy to the said Peter M. Wright who made the last bid at said Crafts sale, and this deed is designed to convey to the said Kasey his moiety of said lands as conveyed by said Craft, Trustee, with the additional title of Mrs. Hawley's dower right, and a good deed in fee simple to the other moiety & a lien is reserved on the one half of said tract of land, untill the whole of the purchase money is paid $300. of which will become due the 25th Inst. & the remaining $300, will become due the 25th day of December 1859. Witness the following signatures and seals.

Peter M. Wright
Susan Wright

Bedford County To Wit:

I James M. Matthews a Justice of the peace for the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do certify that Peter M. Wright whoes name is signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing on the 24" day of Dec'r 1858, has acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid.

Given under my hand this 25" day of Dec'r. 1858.

J. M. Matthews J. P.

Bedford County To Wit:

We James M. Matthews and Washington Howell Justices of the peace for the County aforesaid, in the State of Virginia do certify that Susan Wright wife of Peter M. Wright whose names are signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the 24" day of Dec'r 1858, personally appeared before us in the County aforesaid, and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her She the said Susan Wright acknowledged the said writing to be her act, and declared that she had willingly executed the same, and does not wish to retract it.

Given under our hands this 25th day of Dec'r 1858.

J. M. Matthews J. P.
Washington Howell J. P.

In the Clerks Office of Franklin County Court the 7th day of February 1859.

This Deed from Peter M. Wright and Susan his wife to James C. Kasey was Exhibited into the said office and together with the certificates hereon endorsed admitted to record.

Teste.
Ro. A. Scott cfc"

The birth record of an unnamed female slave of Peter M. Wright, Sr., was dated in April 1859 at Bedford County, Virginia, and listed the following information:

"Name of Child:

Date of Birth:	April 1859
Color:	Colored
Status:	Slave
Sex:	Female
Born:	Alive
Place of Birth:	Bedford
Owner's Name:	Peter M. Wright Sr.
Father's Occupation:	Farming
Father's Residence:	Bedford
No. at Birth:	1
Informant:	Owner"

The 1859 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Peter M. Wright with the following property:

Owner	Residence	Estate	# of Acres	Name of Tract
Peter M. Wright	Bedford	fee	117½	
Peter M. Wright	"	"	152	

Description	Distance from CH	Value	Sum Added	Total Value	Amt of Tax
Stanton River	12 NE	4.00		470.00	1.88
Stanton River	12 NE	4.00			

Amount of Tax	Explanation of Alteration
177a(?)	to Henry Kasfy of both tracts 117½ [unreadable]

The 1860 Land Tax List for Franklin County, Virginia, listed Peter M. Wright with the following property:

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Peter M. Wright	Bedford	Fee	117½	

Description	Distance from CH	Value	Sum Added	Total Value	Amt of Tax
Stanton River	12 NE	4.00		470.00	1.88

Amount of Tax	Explanation of Alteration
	all conveyed to Jane C. Kasey

This record reflects the sale of 177 acres of land by Franklin County Deed 25/34.

On May 25, 1860, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 41/257 Peter M. Wright purchased 89 acres of land from George and Malinda Clark:

"This Deed made 25th day of May in the year One thousand eight hundred and sixty, between George Clark & Malinda his wife of the one part and Peter M. Wright of the other part. Witnesseth that in consideration of six hundred and twenty nine dollars and fifty six cents the said George Clark and his wife Malinda doth grant with general warranty unto the said Peter M Wright all that tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in the County of Bedford & on the waters of Beaverdam Creek and Kates Creek & bounded as follows Beginning at a maple on a branch corner to Wright & in James O. Wright line thence N 33° E 99 poles to his corner pine now down thence S 31-1/2° E. 54 poles to a pile of rocks on the Spring branch thence E. 35 poles to a pine thence N 58-1/4 E. to a stake in Mays line thence with his line to Bowles line & with his line to a pine on the South side of Hopkins Mill road thence down the road as it now runs to a pine in Bowls line in the head of a hollow thence off and with Bowls line to a red oak in Mays line thence with his line to a chinkapin thence off with Mays line to pointers thence off & with Mays line to pointers (corner to Wright) thence with his line to a pile of rocks in the field at the fence thence off with rights line to a branch at the head spring thence down the same 100 poles to the beginning, containing 89 acres 3 roods & 30 poles the said George Clark & Malinda his wife covenants, that they will warrant generally the property hereby conveyed and that they will execute such further assurances of the said land as may be requisite = Witness the following signatures and seals

George	his X mark	Clarke
Malinda	her X mark	Clarke

Roanoke County (to wit)

I William McDermed a Justice of the peace in County aforesaid and State of Virginia do hereby certify that George Clark whose name is signed to the writing above dated the 25th day of May 1860 personally appeared before me in my County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed = Given under my hand this 2nd day of June 1860

Wm McDermed J.P.

Roanoke County to wit

We William B. Preston and William McDermed Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid & State of Virginia do hereby certify that Malinda Clark wife of George Clark whose names are signed to the writing above dated the 25th day of May 1860 personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband & having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Malinda Clarke acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly executed the same and that she wished not to retract it = Given under our hands this 2nd day of June 1860

Wm B. Preston JP
Wm McDermed JP

At a Court held for Bedford County at the Courthouse the 25th day of June 1860

This deed from George Clark and Malinda his wife to Peter M Wright conveying real estate was produced in Court and together with the certificates thereto annexed ordered to be recorded

A Copy Teste
A. A. Arthur CBC"

It is unclear whether the purchaser of this land was Peter Meador Wright, Sr. or Jr., but was probably Peter Meador Wright, Sr.

The 1860 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed P. M. Wright with the following household on July 12, 1860, at Davis Mills Post Office:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
P. M. Wright	58	M		Farmer	32,000
S. Wright	58	F			
L. F. Wright	17	F			
S. Adams	20	M		Blacksmith	
H. Thomas	14	M		Bound	
T. Thomas	11	M		Bound	
Wm. Bates	11	M		Bound	
McH. Hudleston	10	M		Bound	

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
20,000	Virginia				
	Virginia				
	Virginia				
	Virginia			1	
	Virginia		1		
	Virginia		1		
	Virginia		1		
	Virginia		1		

The birth record of Mariah, a slave of Peter M. Wright, Sr., was dated in October 1860 at Bedford County, Virginia, and listed the following information:

"Name of Child: Mariah
Date of Birth: October 1860
Color: Colored
Status: Slave
Sex: Female
Born: Alive
Place of Birth: Bedford
Owner's Name: James M Wright
No. at Birth: 1
Informant: Owner"

On January 28, 1861, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 18/237 an inventory and appraisement of the estate of Peter Meador Wright was filed showing a value of $21,944.15:

"We the undersigned appointed to appraise the property of Peter M Wright decd after being sworn appraised the following Inventory of property, at the prices annexed, to the best of our judgment and belief Decr 12th 1860

James M Matthews
Silas Dearing
Joseph W Mays

Shoels, hoes mattox axes &c	1.00
Drawing knife, wedge, hammar & wheat rack	1.50
2 Single trees & 4 clevis's	1.50
1 Double & single tree & strechers	.62

1 Cultivator	1.00
2 Coulters	1.00
2 Bull tongues	1.00
3 2 Horse Plows	7.50
1 Ox yoke & spade	.25
1 Harrow	2.25
4 Mowing blades & 2 spades	3.00
1 Lot gear	1.50
2 Old rakes	.25
1 Scythe & cradle	3.00
2 Hay forks	.50
2 Boxes cutting boxes & flax break	.50
1 Lot corn	90.00
1 Lot shucks	5.00
1 " Fodder	.50
1 Mow Hay	25.00
1 Lot Do	5.00
1 Mow Do	30.00
1 Lot Hay	10.00
1 Lot Oats	15.00
1 Lot wheat	75.00
1 Lot plank	2.00
1 Loom	3.00
2 Cupboards	3.00
1 Table	.75
2 Jugs	.50
2 Weavers slaris	.25
1 Crock	.75
1 Coffee pot	.35
1 Shilet oven & Tea kettle	1.00
2 Kitchen chairs	.20
1 Wheat sower	3.00
1 Small table	1.00
1 Do Do	.75
1 Bed & stead	15.00
2 Single trees, strechers & 1 slide	2.00
5 Shoats	7.50
2 Axes	1.50
1 Red Mewly cow	12.00
1 Speckd Horned Do	12.00
1 Do Mewly Do	10.00
1 Calf	1.00
1 House Tobacco	30.00
1 Do Do	40.00

1 Stack Oats	56.00
5 Do Hay	60.00
1 Lot plank	70.00
1 " Tobacco	10.00
1 " Oats	2.00
1 Stack Do	7.50
1 House Tobacco	25.00
1 Stack Fodder	2.50
1 Lot chucks straw & chaff	4.00
1 Cutting knife & box	.50
1 Scythe & cradle	1.50
1 Hide	1.00
1 Lot nubbins	7.00
2 Stacks Oats	15.00
1 Lot corn	36.00
1 " Black & top fodder	10.00
1 " Shucks	.75
1 Reel Loom & Saddle	.50
1 Lot Brandy	13.00
1 " Tobacco	12.00
1 " Barrels	1.00
1 " Tobacco	18.00
2 Cultivators	1.50
4 Cultivators	1.25
4 Mattox	4.50
2 Picks	2.50
12 Hilling hoes	1.50
1 Lot castings	1.00
1 " Do	1.00
6 Plow points	2.00
1 Harrow	3.00
1 Lot chains	3.00
1 Frow	.25
1 Double tree	.25
7 Forks	1.00
3 Brier cutters	.50
2 Shovels and 1 Scythe & cradle	.68
1 Pr Streathers	.50
10 Single trees	2.50
1 Adz 1 axe &c shingle jointer	1.00
1 Big plow	.50
1 Do Do	1.00
7 Do Do	9.00
3 Double trees	1.00

2 Clivis & 2 land sides	.25
5 Plow hoes	1.00
2 Clivis	.12
1 Cutting box	.50
1 Wheat fan	.25
2 Couters	1.00
2 Bull tongues	1.00
2 Plows	.50
3 Plow beams and Handles	10.00
4 Hoes & 2 Mattox	1.25
1 Crow bar	.50
6 Single trees & streatchers	2.50
2 Scythes & cradles	5.00
3 Forks	1.00
2 Log chains	3.00
1 Harrow	3.00
12 Harrow teeth	2.00
1 Cradle	1.50
8 Mowing blades & Snaths	4.00
2 Mowing blades & anvils	.12
1 Pr Rubbers	.50
1 Lot Axel Trees	.25
1 Broken waggon body	.50
1 Broken waggon body	3.00
1 Do Do	3.00
3 Carts	10.00
1 Waggon wheel	2.00
1 Waggon	5.00
1 Do	20.00
4 Lots irons	5.00
1 Waggon	30.00
4 Tyre & Cart tongues	5.00
6 Anvils (broken)	.40
1 Lot coal	20.00
1 Lot Smiths tools	25.00
1 " Tools	3.00
1 Waggon	45.00
1 Do	15.00
1 Do	20.00
1 Lot gear	35.00
1 " Harness	12.00
1 Buggy	75.00
1 Carriage	20.00
2 Log Chains	3.00

1 Reaper	75.00
5 Saddes	10.00
1 Lot bee gums & bees	3.50
1 Do Do	3.00
1 Grind stone	2.00
1 Lot corn	100.00
1 Corn crusher	2.00
1 Bridle	.50
2 Chains	.50
1 Broad axe	1.00
5 Axes	2.50
3 Iron wedges	.75
1 House Tobacco	12.50
1 Lot Shucks	5.00
1 Lot chaff shucks & straw	15.00
1 Lot Plank & scantling	17.50
1 Wheat Fan	10.00
4 Hides	4.00
1 Lot Plaster	10.00
1 " Wheat	60.00
1 Lot Tobacco	500.00
Sheets 2 measures & box	1.00
1 Lot plank	1.00
1 House Tobacco	20.00
1 Do Do	10.00
1 Do Do	10.00
1 Do Do	10.00
1 Do Do	10.00
1 Sorrel Mare	50.00
1 Bay Do	75.00
1 Mule	112.00
1 Sorrel Mare	75.00
1 Gray Horse	125.00
1 Sorrel Do	60.00
1 Bay	100.00
1 Do blind Do	25.00
1 Sorrel Mare	60.00
1 Gray Mule	100.00
1 Dun Do	120.00
1 Bay Do	125.00
1 Do Do	100.00
1 Bay mare mule	115.00
1 Jack ass	175.00
36 Fat Hogs	500.00

1 Lot Hogs	21.00
6 Sheep	9.00
25 Do	37.50
1 Cutting knife & box	3.00
18 Stacks Oats	150.00
1 House Tobacco	60.00
1 Do Do	60.00
15 Stacks Oats	90.00
1 Lot Oats fodder shucks Hay & Lumber	175.00
1 Sow & 16 shoats	22.50
1 House Tobacco	25.00
1 Stack Clover seed Hay	2.00
1 Thrashing Machine	75.00
1 Lot Wheat	80.00
1 Lot Oats	125.00
1 " Shucks & fodder	10.00
1 Broken waggon Body	.10
1 Lot Hay & Plank	2.00
1 House Tobacco	10.00
1 Lot Plaster	.25
1 House Tobacco	15.00
1 Lot Plank	.25
3 Stacks Old Hay	3.00
1 Rick Straw	3.00
1 Lot Wheat	10.00
1 Hay Rake	.75
1 Stack Hay	15.00
1 Do Do	12.00
1 House Tobacco	25.00
1 Hay Stack	6.00
1 Lot Hay & Straw	11.00
1 Sow & 5 Shoats	8.00
1 Lot Boards	5.00
1 Lot Brick	10.00
2 Ricks Straw	3.50
1 Lot Hay & straw	5.00
1 Yearling Heifer	5.00
1 Blk Mewly Do	7.00
1 Speckd do	5.00
27 Head Cattle	230.00
1 Red Bull	6.00
4 Stacks Hay	20.00
10 Hogs	112.00
3 Calves	3.00

2 Do	2.00
4 Cows	40.00
1 Cow & Calf	10.00
6 Cows	65.00
1 Sow & 6 Pigs	7.00
5 Shoats	5.00
2 Yoke Oxens	65.00
2 Beds	12.00
1 Loom &c	3.00
1 Bag Feathers	8.00
1 Flax wheel	1.00
1 Lot lumber	1.00
1 Lot Kitchen furniture	15.00
1 " Dining Do	15.00
1 " Cheese & 1 Table	20.00
1 Cooking stove	4.00
1 Lot Oats	1.50
1 Do Do	2.50
3 Tin cans & crocks	3.00
1 Lot tubs	1.50
1 Cider Mill	25.00
1 Lot Hering	1.00
1 " Cider & Lard	5.00
2 Bbls Do	8.00
2-1/2 Sacks Salt 1 Lot brand & soap	7.50
1 Bucket Tables & chests	7.50
2 Beds & steads	15.00
1 Bureau	5.00
1 Cupboard & contents	10.00
1 Secretary & Books	8.00
2 Chests & Candle stand	3.00
Wool cards Jugs and Baskets	1.00
1 Looking glass	.50
1 Clock	2.00
2 Candle sticks	.25
16 Chairs	6.00
1 Table & glass	5.00
2 Beds & furniture Bureau & Looking Glass	50.00
2 Barrels soap	2.50
1 Loom	3.00
3 Wheels & Reel	1.00
1 Lot Tools jugs & jars	10.00
1 Sack Salt	3.00
1 Wheel 1 Reel Table & Box	2.50

1 Can Lard	2.00
1 Clock	3.00
1 Little cabinet & Earthenware	3.00
1 Shot gun	2.00
1 Do	1.50
1 Pr scales	.25
14 Chairs	5.00
1 Bureau	5.00
1 Lot Books	12.00
1 Small Bed & clocks	.25
1 Looking glass	1.00
4 Chairs	5.00
1 Can lard	5.00
1 Bed stead & cords	5.00
1 Do & Furniture	15.00
1 Wash stand bowl Table & Candle stand	4.00
1 Looking glass	.75
1 Chest	.37
1 Bed stead & furniture	2.00
1 Do Do	3.00
1 Do	1.50
2 Pieces Flannel	6.00
3 " Cotton cloth	2.20
2 " Ticking	2.50
2 " Jeans	10.00
2 Chests	1.50
1 Bunch wool rols	10.00
1 Lot Leather	4.00
1 Reel	.75
1 Lot Dried fruit	1.00
1 " Spun Yarn	5.00
1 " Carpeting	2.50
1 Bureau	4.00
1 Bed stead & furniture	13.50
1 Clock	2.50
1 Lot wheels 1 Lot wool hooks &c	10.00
1 " Wool Rools	9.00
1 Bed cord	.40
1 Lot Soap	.50
1 Saddle	7.00
1 Lot Leather	50.00
1 Bridle	1.00
1 Lot Tools	3.00
1 Bed Pan	.75

1 Lot Vegitables	8.00
1 Feed Trough	1.00
1 Work Bench	.25
2 Pr Saddle Bags	1.50
4 Chairs	.75
5 Pr And Irons	2.50
1 Revolver Pistol	8.00
1 Tape Measures	.50
6 Balls shoe thread	.25
2 Shot Pouches & Horn	.25
6-3/4 yds Jeans	2.50
1 Unberella	.75
1 Rifle gun	6.00
10 Files	1.00
4 Picture frames	1.00
8 Plaster Mantle logs	.50
1 Lot Leather	25.00
1 Feather Bed	8.00
1 Bed stead & Cord	.50
1 Feather Bed	8.00
1 Lot Vegitables	9.00
1 Lot Boards	5.00
1 Cupboard	.50
40 Bushels sweet Potatoes	20.00
17 Geese	2.00
1 Lot Flax	2.00
Rent of Plantation at the the Neighbor place for the year 1861	20.00
1 Negro woman and 2 children Caroline Green & Ella	600.00
1 Girl Emily	133.33
	7062.39
1 Negro man Jack	500.00
Amount cash, notes bonds and accounts	14,381.76
	$21,944.15

In Bedford County Court Clerks the 28th day of January 1861

This appraisement of the estate of Peter M Wright deceased was produced in said Office and admitted to record

Teste
A A Arthur C.B.C."

On February 26, 1861, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 18/277 a list of sales of the property of the estate of Peter Meador Wright was filed showing a sales of $6,940.54:

"Administrators Sale of Peter M Wrights property made on the 17th and 19th December 1860

Articles	Names	$ ¢
1 Hilling hoe & Mattox	Stephen W Wright	.70
1 Axe & hoe	J M Wright	.35
1 Drawing knife	J M Wright	.40
1 Auger & chisel	J M Wright	.45
1 Single tree & clivis	Stephen W Wright	.70
1 Single tree	J M Wright	.60
1 Iron wedge & chisel	S W Wright	.95
1 Hammer & whet rock	S W Wright	.70
1 Ox yoke	Joel W Wright	.25
1 Single tree & stretchers	Joel W Wright	.90
1 Big Plow	S W Wright	1.00
1 Cultivator	J W Wright	1.05
1 Big Plow	S W Wright	4.50
2 Coulters	S W Wright	.65
2 Bull Tongues	S W Wright	.60
2 Do Do	J M Wright	.60
2 Blades &c	S W Wright	.10
1 Mowing blade	S W Wright	.80
1 " "	S W Wright	1.30
1 Do Do	J M Wright	.35
1 Scythe & Cradle	S W Wright	5.20
2 Rakes	S W Wright	.50
2 Rope lines	P M Wright	.70
1 Leather Line	S W Wright	2.80
2 Pr Hip strops	S W Wright	.50
1 Collar & Back Band	S W Wright	.50
1 Pitch fork	S W Wright	.50
1 Do Do	J W Wright	.95
12 Bbls Corn	J M Wright $3.15	37.80
17-3/10 Do Do	Stephen W Wright $3.20	55.36
1 Pen Hay	J M Wright	26.00
1 Lot shucks	S W Wright	2.00
1 Lot wheat	J M Wright	60.00
1 Lot Hay under wheat	S W Wright	6.00
1 Lot Hay over head	S W Wright	3.25

1 Pen Hay on right hand	J M Wright	13.50
1 Lot Oats	S W Wright	35.00
Hay under oats	S W Wright	2.00
1 Cutting knife & Box	S W Wright	.25
1 Harrow	Wm Basham	1.75
5 Shoats	S W Wright 15/	12.50
1 Red Mewly Cow	Chris Neighbors	11.25
1 Speckle Cow	S W Wright	12.00
1 Cow & Calf	S W Wright	11.50
1 Lot clover seed	S W Wright	2.50
1 Wheat sower	S W Wright	1.00
1 Stone jar	S W Wright	1.25
2 Jugs	S W Wright	.25
1 Coffee Pot	S W Wright	.30
1 Skillet & lid	S W Wright	.50
1 Oven lid	S W Wright	.50
1 Loom slae &c	J M Wright	3.75
1 Bed stead & Cord	S W Wright	4.25
1 Small table	J M Wright	.75
1 Pr and irons	S W Wright	1.30
1 Pr Shovel & Tonges	Wm Basham	.55
1 Table	Joel W Wright	1.70
1 Bed stead & Cord	S W Wright	3.00
1 Bed & furniture	J O Wright	17.75
2 Axes	S W Wright	1.10
1 Slide &c	S W Wright	1.60
1 Cupboard	S W Wright	.70
1 Cupboard	S W Wright	.50
1 Table	S W Wright	1.30
1 House Tobacco	J M Matthews	30.05
1 Do Do	J M Matthews	40.00
1 Stack Oats	Jno P Gwaltney	8.50
1 Stack Oats	J M Wright	7.25
1 Do Do	S W Wright	9.50
1 Do Do	Jno L Hale	5.50
1 Do Do	S W Wright	9.25
1 Do Do	J M Wright	7.50
1 Do Do	N P Goodman	6.75
1 Stack Hay	S W Wright	15.00
1 Do Do	S W Wright	7.50
1 Do Do	John L Hale	13.75
1 Do Do	S W Wright	9.50
1 Do Do	Jno L Hale	12.75
2360 Feet Plank	Thos C Overstreet 1.15	27.14

3680 Ft one inch Plank	Thos C Overstreet 1.25	46.40
1183 Feet oak boxing	James M Matthews 1.11	13.01
1/2 House Tobacco	S W Wright	10.00
1 Lot Oats	J M Wright	.75
1 Lock & key	S W Wright	.30
1 Stock Oats	Wm West	10.49
1/2 House Tobacco	Wm Basham	28.50
1/2 Scythe Blade	N P Goodman	.85
1/2 Raw Hide	Thos Board	.60
1 Fodder Stack	John Crawford	2.05
1/2 Cutting knife & box	N P Goodman	.50
1 Pen shucks	Thos Board	1.05
Straw & chaff	J M Wright	1.30
1 Stack Oats	J M Wright	6.00
1 Top Stack	S W Wright	.25
1 Oat Stack	J M Wright	5.00
1/3 Oat Stack	J W Wright	1.00
1/3 Blade Stack	S W Wright	1.00
1/3 Do Do	Joel W Wright	.60
1 Lot Shucks	S W Wright	.50
13 Bbls Corn at 3.95	J M Wright	51.35
5 Bbls Nubbins 1.50	J M Wright	7.50
1 Saddle & Loom	S W Wright	05
1 Reel	P M Wright	.15
19 Galls apple brandy	S W Wright	19.00
1/3 House Tobacco	S W Wright	10.00
1 Lot Barrels	S W Wright	1.10
1/3 House Tobacco	Wm Basham	15.00
1 Cultivator	Joseph W Mays	.50
1 Cultivator	Green Dearing	.35
2 Coulters	S W Wright	.35
2 Cutters	S W Wright	.95
2 Mattox	J O Wright	1.00
2 Do	Wm W Basham	1.00
1 Cultivator & Mattox	Wm W Basham	1.00
2 Hilling Hoes	Wm W Basham	.70
1 Lot Hilling Hoes	Wm W Basham	.35
1 Lot Hilling Hoes	Wm W Basham	.35
1 Lot Castings	J B Lemon	.55
1 Do Do	Wm W Basham	.70
3 Plow Points	J W Wright	1.50
3 Do Do	Wm W Basham	1.50
1 Harrow	J D Craft	3.25
1 Scythe & Cradle	P M Wright	1.00

2 Mowing blades	J D Craft	2.65
2 Do Do	J B Lemon	.60
2 Do Do	J D Craft	1.50
1 Do Do	J O Wright	1.15
1 Log chain	J W Wright	2.00
1 Log chain	Wm W Basham	2.00
1 Pr Breast chains	J D Craft	.45
1 Lock Chain	J M Wright	.25
2 Breast chains	S W Wright	.50
1 Fifth chain	J M Wright	1.75
1 Frow &c	J W Wright	.45
1 Lot irons	Wm W Basham	.50
1 Log chain	J W Wright	.75
1 Lot irons	P M Wright	1.55
1 Lot scythes & cradles	S W Wright	.25
4 Single trees	W W Basham	.64
3 Single trees	W W Basham	.25
1 Pr Strecthers	J D Craft	1.30
3 Single trees	J W Wright	1.60
1 Frow, shingle jointer &c	J D Craft	3.20
1 Lot Big Plows	S W Wright	.90
1 Big Plow	S W Wright	1.10
1 Do Do	W W Basham	1.75
1 Do Do	W W Basham	.75
2 Clivises	S W Wright	.80
3 Double trees	S W Wright	1.80
2 Big Plows	W W Basham	1.60
1 Do Do	J B Lemon	.15
1 Do Do	S W Wright	4.25
1 Do Do	W W Basham	3.00
1 Lot Plows &c	S W Wright	2.50
1 Cutting knife &c	J W Wright	1.50
1 Wheat Fan	P M Wright	.25
1 Wagon rubber	J W Wright	1.10
1 Lot axle trees	W W Basham	.10
1 Broken wagon body	J W Wright	.40
1 Wagon body	W W Basham	1.20
1 Wagon body	S W Wright	.80
1 Cart	W W Basham	2.65
1 Do	W W Basham	1.00
1 Do	J M Wright	2.20
1 Wagon wheel	David Nininger	2.20
1 Wagon	S W Wright	12.50
1 Do	S W Wright	21.00

1 Lot irons	Wm J Jeter	.10
1 Do Do	Green Dearing	.15
1 Do Do	S W Wright	.10
1 Do Do	W. W. Basham	3.65
1 Do Do	J. B. Lemon	2.50
1 Piece cast steel	Green Dearing	1.60
1 Vice	F M Wright	.12
1 Lot Irons	Green Dearing	.30
1 Do Do	S W Wright	.15
1 Lot horse shoes	Wm Wright	.15
1 Wagon &c	S W Wright	27.00
1 Cart type &c	Wm W Basham	2.00
1 Wagon	J D Craft	22.00
1 Anvil	S W Wright	1.60
1 Do	S W Wright	.25
1 Do	Silas Dearing	.05
1 Do	J W Wright	.70
2 Wagon tyres	P M Wright	3.10
1 Carryall & Harness	J W Wright	33.00
1 Wagon	J D Craft	45.00
1 Lot gear	J W Wright	.10
1 Do Do	J M Wright	.45
1 Do Do	Z. Angel	1.10
1 Saddle & blanket	S H Bead	.70
1 Set Harness	S W Wright	1.80
1 Lot Harness	J B Lemon	.30
1 Do Do	J B Lemon	.65
1 Saddle & Rope	J B Lemon	.10
1 Lot gear	J B Lemon	.30
3 Axes	J D Craft	2.10
2 Do	J B Lemon	1.00
1 Broad axe	P M Wright	3.30
1 Lot Hames	W W Basham	.60
1 Saddle	J D Craft	3.00
1 Lot Hames	J B Lemon	.55
1 Do Do	S W Wright	1.20
1 Lot halter chains	S W Wright	1.10
1 Saddle	W W Basham	2.15
2 Bridles	J B Lemon	.80
Bridle & Chains	J M Wright	.80
1 Pr Britchen	J M Pendleton	2.80
1 Pr Britchin	J W Wright	1.10
1 Lot Blind Bridles	E C Jacobs	.10
1 Side saddle &c	J D Craft	2.50

1 Mans saddle	John R Perdue	5.50
2 Collars	James Dickinson	.15
1 Ring & chain	S W Wright	.12
2 Collars	S W Wright	.20
2 Do	J B Lemon	.40
2 Do	J B Lemon	1.10
4 Do	J M Wright	.65
1 Do	J D Craft	.25
1 Set lead gear	S W Wright	10.50
1 Set Britchen	S W Wright	20.00
2 Housens & bridles	Do Do	.50
2 Housens	Do Do	.60
Fly netts	Do Do	.25
1 Bridle	Wm W Basham	1.50
1 Lot Blind bridles	J W Wright	.80
1 Carriage bridle	W W Basham	.25
1 Pr check lines	S W Wright	.45
1 Carriage bridle	J W Wright	.50
1 Line & bridle	S W Wright	.70
1 Lot Collars back bands &c	P M Wright	.25
1 Saddle blanket	J W Wright	.10
1 Reaper	J M Wright	127.50
1 Wagon	J D Craft	21.00
1 Table	J B Lemon	.10
1 Cupboard	S W Wright	.25
1 Lot Bee gums	S W Wright	.50
2 Bee gums	J D Craft	1.50
1 Lot Bee gums	J W Wright	.05
1 Do Do	J W Wright	.30
1 Do Do	J W Wright	.05
1 Do Do	J D Craftt	3.10
1 Wagon	W W Basham	46.00
1 Corn crusher	Samuel Board	1.80
2 Pots	W W Basham	1.60
1 Do	J W Wright	.60
1 Oven & skillet	W W Basham	.50
1 Do Do	J W Wright	.60
1 Cooking stove	Tazwell Meador	2.25
Lot Glass, Jugs & Pot	S W Wright	.05
3 Jugs	Meredith Meador	.10
1 Clover seed sower	Tazwell Meador	.62
2 Reap Hooks	G R Adams	.25
Reap Hooks & Wheat sower	J W Wright	.45
1 Lot sash	Robt Beard	1.50

2 Fly brushes	J W Wright		.10
1 Box	P M Wright		.25
1 Lot Nails	G Leftwich		.25
1 Do Do	S W Wright		1.35
1 Table	J W Wright		.50
11 dbs sole Leather	Wm Tinsley	26¢	2.84
13½ bbls Sole Leather	S W Wright	29¢	3.91
12 Lbs " "	Joseph Hardy	27	3.24
1 Side upper Leather	J W Wright		2.61
1 Do Harness Do	J B Lemon		1.60
3 Pieces Sole Leather	W W Basham		.55
12 Lbs Sole Leather	J D Craft	27¢	3.34
9 Lbs Do Do	J B Lemon	27¢	2.43
3 Lbs Do Do	W W Basham	20	.60
1 Side Do	J B Lemon		2.00
10 Lbs Sole Do	W W Basham	26	2.60
1 Side Upper Do	J B Lemon		2.75
1 Do Do Do	J W Wright		1.25
1 Sheep skin	A Grayhart		.12
18 Lbs sole Leather	W W Basham	28½¢	5.27
1 Side Upper Do	J D Craft		2.20
10-1/2 Lbs sole Do	J D. Craft	27¢	2.84
1 Side Upper Do	J B Lemon		2.05
10-3/4 Lbs sole Do	J D Craft	27¢	2.90
1 Piece upper Do	W W Basham		.50
1 Do Do Do	Wm A Payne		.65
12 lbs Sole Do	S W Wright	27¢	3.24
1 Piece Upper Do	J W Wright		.80
1 Do Do Do	J C Drwry		.30
15 Lbs Sole Do	J W Wright	27½¢	4.13
1 Piece Upper Do	S W Wright		.10
10½ Lbs Sole Do	J D Craft	27	2.84
11½ Lbs Sole Do	S W Wright	27	3.10
1 Piece Upper Do	Wm W Basham		1.00
1 Do Do Do	S W Wright		.35
11 Lbs Sole Do	S W Wright	27	2.97
3 Sheep skins	Samuel Brown		.55
1 Bridle	J W Wright		1.65
1 strop	W W Basham		2.00
1 Lot clover seed & bag	J W Wright		12.00
1 Bag wool	Wm Worley		.60
1 Do Do	John Brown		.50
12 Lbs Wool Rolls 55 cts	E C Jacobs		6.60
11¼ Lbs Wool Rolls 50 cts	Wm Worley		5.62

1 Lot Soap	John Brown	.25
1 Pr Saddle bags	John Brown	.10
6 Split bottom chairs 75¢	S W Wright	4.50
3 Split bottom chairs 60 cts	S W Wright	1.80
3 Do Do Do 25	W W Basham	1.25
1 Clock	W W Basham	3.60
1 Bed & contents	S W Wright	3.25
1 Bed & contents	C H McMannaway	15.00
1 Bureau	J W Wright	5.00
1 Feather bed	S W Wright	7.00
1 Bed & stead & contents	S W Wright	15.50
1 Spinning wheel	James Hood	2.10
1 Meal sifter	W W Basham	.20
1 Flax wheel	Richard Turner	2.25
1 Lot soap	C H McMannaway	.12
1 Lot Files	P M Wright	.40
1 Do Do	Isaac Cundiff	.50
1 Clock	J W Wright	4.25
1 Jar soap	Wm W Basham	.05
1 Lot soap	John Brown	.45
1 Do Do	C H McMannaway	.10
1 Do Do	C H McMannaway	.50
1 Do Do	C H McMannaway	.12
1 Do Do	Do Do	.37
1 Bunch cotton in bag	J M Wright	.05
1 Lot sleas	Elias Arthur	.15
3½ yds Jeans at 46¢	Jack Nelson	1.61
1 Lot Dried Peaches	J M Wright	.50
1 Lot Paint	Jack Nelson	1.15
1 Shot gun	Samuel Board	4.00
3 Chairs 35¢ each	P M Wright	1.05
1 Shot gun	J B Lemon	2.30
1 Clock	S W Wright	2.00
1 Revolver	J M Wright	8.25
6 bbs cheese at 5 cts	Jas Camper	.30
10 Lbs cheese 5	W M Burford	.50
11 Lbs Do 7	F Board	.77
11 Lbs Do 7	F Board	.77
7 Lbs Do 8	Wm Tinsley	.56
6 Lbs Do 8½	Lindsey Wills	.51
11¼ Lbs Do 9	Jesse Morgan	1.01
5½ Do Do 8	Nathan Neighbors	.44
6½ Do Do 8½	Henry Kissler	.54
6-3/4 Do Do 9	Richard Mitchell	.61

3-3/4 Do Do	8	Alex Smith	.30
6 Do Do	8	Joel W Wright	.48
7 Do Do	8	Wm Tinsley	.56
12 Do Do	9	Jno G Kasey	1.08
5 Do Do	7	Jas C Dreury	.35
6-3/4 Do Do	8-3/4	J W Mays	.57
2 Lbs cheese	8-3/4	Jubal D Meador	.17
3 Do Do	8-1/2	Jno S T Settle	.25
6½ Do Do	8	Henry Kessler	.53
13-3/4 Do Do	9-1/2	Jesse Morgan	1.30
4 Do Do	8-1/2	Mercer H Gray	.36
4 Do Do	8-1/2	G R Adams	.34
4 Do Do	8-1/2	G R Adams	.34
1 House Tobacco		J M Matthews	9.50
1 Lot Tobacco 3512 lbs at 5.05		J M Matthews	177.35
1 Do Do 3548 lbs at 2.50		J M Matthews	33.70
1 Do Do 1138 lbs at 5.00		J M Matthews	56.90
1 Do Do 1049 lbs at 1.00		J M Matthews	10.49
1 Do Do 4645 lbs at 3.05		J M Matthews	141.98
1 Do Do 2611 lbs at 3.20		J M Matthews	83.55
20 Bushels wheat at 1.20		S W Wright	24.00
87½ Bushels wheat " 1.20		S W Wright	105.00
3 Row Hides 50 lbs .13		S W Wright	6.50
3 Choice Hogs 12.00 each		Wm Crum	36.00
3 2n Do Do 10.00 Do		S W Wright	30.00
3 Do Do 8.00 Do		W W Basham	24.00
3 Do Do 8.00 Do		S W Wright	40.00
3 Choice Hogs 21.15 each		J W Wright	63.45
3 Do Do 20.00 Do		J M Wright	60.00
3 Do Do 18.25 Do		N P Goodman	54.75
3 Do Do 18.00 Do		P M Wright	54.00
3 Do Do 17.00 Do		W W Basham	51.00
3 Do Do 17.00 Do		Nathan Neighbors	51.00
3 Do Do 16.50 Do		Wm J Fraling	49.50
1 Jack Ass		S W Wright	70.00
1 Lot wheels		Jno Brown	.10
3 Wheels		George Clark	.25
1 Fiskin soap		J M Wright	.25
1 Sack Salt		W W Basham	3.25
1 Loom		Jas Hood	1.10
1 Bll Soap		Wm W Basham	2.00
1 Bbl Soap		S W Wright	2.30
1 Lot Pickles		Debo	.25
Jugs		S W Wright	.05

1 Jug	Do Do	.05
1 Cross Cut Saw	Do Do	4.10
1 Jar & Jug	J B Lemon	.05
1 Keg white lead jug &c	Jas Hood	.10
3 Jugs & Pans	J M Wright	.10
1 Basket Onions	J O Wright	.15
1 Pr scales & Basket	J O Wright	.05
3 Cow Bells	J M Wright	.05
1 Lot Tools	J M Wright	.10
1 Lot Sundries	J B Lemon	.05
1 Churn	J O Wright	.15
1 Lot Sundries	Green Dearing	.15
1 Do Do	Jas Hood	.12
1 Pot Rack	Wm Dickinson	.30
1 Lot Sundries	J M Wright	.05
1 Do Do	Meredith Meador	.10
1 Do Do	J M Wright	.05
1 Table	J D Craft	.50
1 Chain & lock	J Lemon	.35
1 Apple Mill	J M Wright	25.25
1 Bbl Herrings	S W Wright	.50
1 Bbl Cider	P M Wright	3.25
1 Do Do	S W Wright	1.50
1 Looking glass	S W Wright	.40
1 Desk	S W Wright	1.75
3 Dishes	J M Wright	.05
2 Dishes	W W Basham	.30
1 Tea Pot & sugar Pot	E C Jacobs	.40
1 Set Plates	S W Wright	.60
1 Lot earthenware	P M Wright	.05
1 Dish	Do Do	.25
1 Warter Dishe &c	Jas Board	.25
1 Bed & stead	S W Wright	4.25
1 Lot Lard 33 lbs at 8 cts	Do Do	2.66
1 Lard Can	Do Do	.55
1 Lot Lard 72 lbs at 8 cts	Do Do	5.76
1 Lard Can	Do Do	.50
1 Sow & Pigs	O H Wooldridge	6.75
8 Choice shoats 2.50	Jno Crouch	20.00
4 Do Do 1.25	Jno W Foutz	5.00
1 Yoke Oxen	J D Craft	51.00
1 Do Do	Tancy K Jones	38.50
1 Cow & Calf	Jackson Draper	17.00
1 White face mewly cow	W W Basham	10.00

1 Horned Cow	Joel W Wright	18.00
1 Red cow	S W Wright	12.50
1 Black cow	Joseph P Wright	20.50
1 Mewly cow	S W Wright	1.50
1 White horned cow	Edwd W Dearing	10.37
1 Bull	J D Craft	10.00
1 Bundle cow	Jack Nelson	11.25
1 Red Heifer	Edward W Dearing	8.50
1 Speckled heifer	J M Wright	6.00
2 White & Red heifers 8.25 each	B R Jeter	16.50
2 Yearling 4.00 "	J M Wright	8.00
2 White & Red yearlings6.25	Edward W Dearing	12.50
2 Black yearlings 7.00 each	Edward W Dearing	14.00
3 Red & white face Do 3.25	G R Adams	9.75
1 Mewly heifer brindle	S W Wright	7.50
1 Bull & steer	Do Do	26.00
1 Red Bull	Do Do	3.75
3 Speckled yearlings 4.00	Edward W Dearing	12.00
2 Red Do 6.75	Do Do Do	13.50
2 Mewly red Do 7.00	Jack Nelson	14.00
1 Black Do 5.50	G R Adams	5.50
1 Beef cow	W W Basham	11.00
5 Calves 2.25	Peter M Wright	11.25
1 Mule Mare	F Board	161.00
1 Do Horse	Do Do	151.00
1 Sorrel Horse	S W Wright	100.00
1 Gray Do	J M Wright	155.50
1 Bay Do	J D Craft	115.00
1 Sorrel Mare	S W Wright	102.00
1 Blind Horse	John Spradlin	63.50
1 Bay Mule	Caleb Phillips	140.50
1 Gray Do	Caleb Phillips	113.50
1 Bay Do	E C Jones	120.00
1 Barrel Lead Pipeing	S W Wright	2.00
1 Hhd	J M Wright	1.05
1 Lot Pork 227 Lbs at 12 cts	J D Craft	27.24
4 Picture frames	S W Wright	.35
1 Lot Toys	Do Do	.05
1 Lot Books	Green Dearing	1.00
1 Slate & Thermoneter	James Carner	.15
1 Table Clock	Peter M Wright	1.30
1 Burea	W W Basham	4.50
1 Lot Irish Potatoes 6 Bushels	J W Wright 25	1.50
1 Lot Turnips	W W Basham	1.00

1 Lot Irish Potatoes 6-3/4 "	J C Drewry 25	1.69
1 Lot Turnips	Joseph P Wright	2.25
5 Second choice sheep1.70 each	P M Wright	8.50
5 Third choice Do 1.65 Do	Thomas J Thomasson	8.25
15 Fourth choice Do 1.50	Silas Dearing	22.50
1 Set Harrow Teeth	W W Basham	1.50
1 Rifle	J D Craft	6.00
2 Oats Stacks 9.00 each	J W Foutz	18.00
2 Do Do 9.25 "	Geo Drewry	18.50
1 Do Do	Green Dearing	7.50
1 Do Do	Jas Wood	8.50
2 Do Do 7.75 each	W W Basham	15.50
2 Do Do 7.90 "	Green Dearing	15.80
2 Do Do 8.00 "	Edward W. Dearing	16.00
1 Do Do	Do Do	6.50
2 Oats Stacks 7.75 each	J C Drewry	15.50
2 Do Do 8.15 Do	J O Wright	16.30
3 Do Do 8.00 Do	J O Wright	24.00
1/2 House Tobacco	J M Matthews	28.00
2 Stacks Oats 4.05 each	W W Basham	8.10
2 Do Do 6.05 "	P M Wright	12.10
2 Do Do 6.50 "	J W Wright	13.00
2 Do Do 7.00 "	Calvin T Smith	14.00
2 Do Do 7.00 "	Silas Dearing	14.00
2 Do Do 6.25 "	J O Wright	12.70
1 Sow	Wm M Wright	5.95
5 Pigs 1.00 "	Do Do	5.00
1/2 House Tobacco	J M Matthews	60.00
1/2 Do Do	J M Matthews	62.25
1/2 Top Stack	Edward W Dearing	.37
1 Stack Hay	W W Basham	3.75
1 Do Do	W W Basham	3.00
1 Do Do	Do Do	6.80
1 Do Do	George Drewry	8.00
1/2 Stack Fodder	Silas Dearing	.65
1/2 of 2 Stack Do	Do Do	2.20
1/2 House Tobacco	J M Matthews	26.75
1 Hay stacks	P M Wright	2.55
1 Threshing Machine	P M Wright	80.00
20 Bushel wheat 1.19	W W Basham	23.80
47½ Bushel Do 1.19	W W Basham	56.52
2000 Sheaf Oats at .57	Jackson B Holdrond	11.40
6000 Lbs Do Do .50	Mireer H Gray	30.00
6000 Lbs Do Do .51	Wm M Burford	30.60

8527 Lbs Do Do .50	Do Do	42.63
1 Bulk Fodder	P M Wright	3.00
1 Bulk Do	Do Do	2.10
1 Do Do	J W Wright	2.70
1 Lot Flax	P M Wright	1.10
1 Lot Shucks	Do Do	.30
1 Lot Plank	Do Do	5.00
1 Lot Chaff & straw	Do Do	2.60
4 Wagon body	Do Do	.10
1/4 House Tobacco	J M Matthews	17.00
1/2 Do Do	Do Do	20.00
1/2 Do Do	Do Do	5.00
1/2 Do Do	Do Do	15.00
1 Lot Hay & Lumber	J W Wright	1.50
1 House Tobacco	J M Matthews	18.05
1 Lot Plaster	W W Basham	.50
1 Sow & 7 shoats	P M Wright	13.00
1 House Tobacco	J M Matthews	18.05
1 Lot Plank	W W Basham	.25
1/2 Rick Straw	P M Wright	3.25
1 Stack Hay	J W Mays	.60
1 Do Do	J W Wright	1.50
1 Do Do	J W Wright	.60
14¼ Bushels wheat at 1.15	J W Wright	16.38
3 Sheet	P M Wright	.35
1 Hay Rake	J W Wright	1.00
1 Stack Hay	Do Do	11.00
1 Do Do	Do Do	5.00
1 Do Do	Do Do	5.00
1/2 House Tobacco	J M Matthews	12.50
1 Stack Hay	J W Wright	1.00
1 Lot Boards	Do Do	2.30
1 Lot Hay & straw	C H McMannaway	1.05
1 Lot Buck	Do Do	6.50
1 Rick straw	Do Do	2.20
1 Stack Hay	John R Perdue	5.25
1 Lot straw	C H McMcannany	5.00
1 Lot Plank	W W Basham	1.05
7-3/4 Bushels	45 P M Wright	3.49
2 Coulters	Susan Wright	1.00
2 Bulltongues	Do Do	1.00
2 Plows	Do Do	.50
3 Plows, Beams & Handle	Do Do	10.00
4 Hoes & 2 Mattox	Do Do	1.25

1 Iron Digger	Do	Do	.50
6 Single trees & strecthers	Do	Do	2.50
2 Scythes & cradles	Do	Do	5.00
3 Forks	Do	Do	1.00
2 Log chain	Do	Do	3.00
1 Harrow	Do	Do	3.00
1 Lot Coal	Do	Do	20.00
1 Lot Smiths Tools	Do	Do	25.00
1 Lot Carpenters tools	Do	Do	3.00
1 Lot Harness	Do	Do	12.00
1 Buggy	Do	Do	75.00
1 Grind stone	Do	Do	2.00
1 Lot Corn	Susan Wright		100.00
1 Lot Shucks	Do	Do	5.00
1 Lot chaff, shucks & straw	Do	Do	15.00
1 Lot Plank & scantlings	Do	Do	17.50
1 Wheat Fan	Do	Do	10.00
1 Lot Plaster	Do	Do	10.00
1 Lot Wheat	Do	Do	60.00
Sheets 2 Measures & Boxes	Do	Do	1.00
1 Sorrel Mare (Puss)	Do	Do	50.00
1 Bay Mare (Nell)	Susan Wright		75.00
1 Mule (Logan)	Do	Do	112.00
1 Sorrel Mare (Kit)	Do	Do	75.00
6 Sheep	Do	Do	9.00
1 Yearling Heifer	Do	Do	5.00
1 Black Mewly Heifer	Do	Do	7.00
1 Speckled Heifer	Do	Do	5.00
2 Beds	Do	Do	12.00
1 Loom & Fixtures	Do	Do	3.00
1 Bag Feathers	Do	Do	8.00
1 Flax wheel	Do	Do	1.00
1 Lot Lumber	Do	Do	1.00
1 Lot Kitchen furniture	Do	Do	15.00
1 Lot Dining Room furniture	Do	Do	15.00
1 Lot Pots	Do	Do	2.50
3 Tin cans & Crocks	Do	Do	3.00
1 Lot Tules	Do	Do	1.50
1 Lot Cider &c	Do	Do	5.00
2½ Sacks salt Bran & soap	Do	Do	7.50
1 Lot Buckets, Tables, chest Cooler	Do	Do	7.50
2 Beds & steads	Do	Do	15.00
1 Bureau	Do	Do	5.00

1 Cupboard & contents	Do	Do	10.00
1 Secretary & books	Do	Do	8.00
1 Chest & Candlestand	Do	Do	3.00
Cards, Jugs & Basket	Do	Do	1.00
1 Looking glass	Do	Do	50
1 Clock	Do	Do	2.00
2 Candlestick	Do	Do	.25
12 Chairs	Do	Do	6.00
Table & glass	Do	Do	5.00
2 Beds & steads & furniture			
1 Bureau & Looking glass	Do	Do	50.00
2 Bedsteads & cords	Do	Do	5.00
1 Bedstead & furniture	Do	Do	15.00
2 Washbowles Table &			
Candlestand	Do	Do	4.00
1 Looking glass	Do	Do	.75
1 Chest	Do	Do	.37
1 Bed & stead & furniture	Do	Do	2.00
1 Bed & stead & furniture	Do	Do	3.00
1 Bedstead	Do	Do	1.50
1 Piece flannel	Do	Do	6.00
3 Do Cotton cloth	Do	Do	2.20
2 Do Ticking	Do	Do	2.50
2 Do Jeans	Do	Do	10.00
2 Do Chest	Do	Do	1.50
1 Lot Wool Rolls	Do	Do	10.00
1 Lot Leather	Susan Wright		4.00
1 Reel	Do	Do	.75
1 Lot Dried fruit	Do	Do	1.00
1 Lot Spun yarn	Do	Do	5.00
1 Lot Spun yarn	Do	Do	3.00
1 Lot Carpeting	Do	Do	2.50
1 Lot Tools	Do	Do	3.00
2 Pr. Saddle bags	Do	Do	1.50
4 Charis	Do	Do	.75
1 Bed Pan	Do	Do	.75
5 Pr And irons	Do	Do	2.50
1 Cutting knife & box	Do	Do	3.00
Oats shucks, fodder, Hay			
& Lumber	Do	Do	175.00
1 Sow & 14 shoats	Do	Do	22.50
10 Fatted Hogs	Do	Do	112.00
3 Cows bounce cherry & Blos	Do	Do	30.00
1 White face Mewly cow	Do	Do	10.00

1 Lot Sweet Potatoes	Do	Do	20.00
1 Lot Irish Potatoes	Do	Do	4.00
1 Lot Turnips	Do	Do	4.00
17 Geese	Do	Do	2.00
1 Side Saddle	Do	Do	7.00
1 Bar Lead 13½ lbs at 4½ cts	Wm W. Basham		.61
1 Lot Hay	Wm J Jeter		3.05
1 Lot growing sheat	O. H Wooldridge		5.10
1 Feed Trough	Susan Wright		1.00
		Whole Amount	$6940.54

In Bedford County Court Clerks Office the 26th day of February 1861

This list of sales of the estate of Peter M. Wright Deceased was produced in said Office and admitted to record

Teste
A A Arthur C.B.C."

On March 25, 1861, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 18/305 a list of accounts due to the estate of Peter Meador Wright was filed showing a value of $3,741.39:

"List of Accounts due the estate of Peter M Wright decd

One acct on Ethelred Brown due 1856			2.67
Do	John W Burford	" 1858	4.00
"	James Bradley	" 1854	.88
"	Ethelred Brown	" 1855	5.63
" Sarah Brambletts order on Matthews & Wright Decr 1858			1.42
" Sparrel Beard		" 1859	30.69
" Washington Adkisson		" 1853	1.87
" John Bonds		" 1851	2.52
" John Bowles		" 1857	4.84
" Zach Angel		" 1856	15.00
" Do Do		" 1857	1.00
" William Bowles		" 1859	10.00
" James Bradly		" 1854	1.10
" Joseph W. Dowdy		" 1855	2.55
" Thomas Davis & Leftwich H Settles		" 1859 for five " Bushels wheat 9¢	7.50
" Dr George Dunsmore		" 1859	2.00
" James Dowdy		" 1859	3.97
" Morgan Dent		" 1857	23.36

"	John Dent	" 1856	.38
"	John J. Dent	" 1859	.50
"	Edward Dearing	" 1858	98.50
"	Fleming Feather	" 1857	7.42
"	Phillip Feather 318 bundles oats	" 1859	5.50
"	James F Franklin	" 1857	88.15
"	Do Do	" 1856	4.81
"	Robert W Elam	" 1857	12.46
"	Richard B. Feather	" 1859	21.00
"	Abram Foutz	" 1857	5.25
"	Joel Franklin & John R Perone	" 1858	4.00
"	Alfred Gooldy	" 1856	15.00
"	George Foutz	" 1856	8.50
"	Execution on James T Franklin assigned by Jno O Gilpin Octo 2 1854		129.32
"	James T. Franklin	1858 due	101.50
"	John Haile	due 1859	16.78
"	Fleming Feather	" 1859	13.28
"	Robert Hodges	" 1857	8.12
"	John P. A Harris	" 1858 & 9	52.36
"	Alfred Gooldy	" 1859	6.75
"	Mercer H Gray	" 1857	2.50
"	Receipt of John Goode Jr for bonds on Harvery Baker &c Due 22nd Decr 1858		453.37
"	Receipt of John Goode jr bond on James M Bandy &c due 15th Feby 1859		170.00
"	Joseph Feather	due 1859	38.97
One acct on James C Kasey due			21.16
"	Henny Kesler	" 1858 & 9	14.43
"	Obediah Jenkins	" 1857	4.52
"	Phillip D Kirkpatrick	" 1855	1.25
"	Henry Loyd	" 1849	1.01
"	Joshua Morriss	" 1856	10.28
"	Do Do	" 1857	2.34
"	John Mayson	" 1859	14.00
"	Charles H McManaway	" 1858 & 9	34.19
"	William Miller	" 1859 & 60	156.00
"	Do Do	" 1857	108.00
"	Joshua Morris	" 1857	12.57
"	Henry Neighbors	" 1855	8.88
"	Herse Oliver	" 1849	2.13
"	Thomas Pendleton & Green Dearing	1855	20.63
"	Thomas Pendleton	1856	2.66
"	Thomas Simmons	due 1856	4.83
"	Noah Parker	" 1857	2.59

" John S Settles	" 1859	9.00
" Robert Ramsey	" 1850	8.00
" Alexander R. Smith	" 1858	21.09
" Clinton Richardson	" 1857	9.91
" Joseph St. Clair	" 1848	2.27
" Sheriff of Roanoke	" 1857	18.42
" Eldridge Thomas	" 1858	1.83
" John W. Turner	" 1860	40.00
" Wilson Wheeler	" 1857	.75
" William Jeter Admr	" 1859	13.04
" John M Wright	" 1859	1.00
" Wm M Whorley	" 1852	.25
" Peter M Wright Jr.	" 1859	86.27
" Jame Richardson	" 1860	127.07
" Nancy Johnson	" 1860	40.00
" Montreville Franklin	" 1860	13.10
" J M McManaway	" 1860	15.00
" Jackson Thomas	" 1860	6.92
" Thomas Wheeler &c	" 1860	15.20
" Berry Settles &c	" 1860	10.50
" James Carner	" 1860	12.00
" Henry Neighbours	" 1860	2.00
" Silas Dearing	" 1860	2.26
" Alfred Gooldy	" 1860	7.00
" Fleming Feather	" 1860	29.50
" A. P Feather	" 1860	16.51
" Thomas A Kasey	" 1860	1.25
" Jno G Kasey	" 1860	1.25
" Henry Preas	" 1860	1.25
One acct on Wm J Jeter	due 1860	1.00
" Jno R Perone	" 1860	.75
" Joseph W. Mays	" 1860	.75
" Jas Foutz	" 1860	.50
" Right H Wright	" 1860	.25
" James M Wright	" 1860	.20
" Peter Thomas	" 1860	.25
" Bowles & Dowdy	" 1860	.40
" James D K Mays	" 1860	2.50
" Roderick Debo	" 1860	.50
" Charles A. Tuning	" 1860	16.90
" Wm Miller	" 1860	19.50
" Wm Rider	" 1860	4.70
" Joel W Wright	" 1860	2.00
" Thomas E. Dooley	" 1860	2.00

" Jacob P Moorman	" 1860	1.25
" Isaac S. West	" 1860	1.25
" Samuel West	" 1860	4.20
" Edward W. Dearing	" 1860	7.67
" Green Dearing	" 1860	7.00
" Nicholas P Goodman	" 1860	7.00
" Haban Foster	" 1860	102.42
" Wm Dooley	" 1860	20.86
" Jno P A Harris	" 1860	9.26
" Wm H Preas	" 1860	1.25
" Peter M Wright Jr	" 1860	77.50
" Washington Reese	" 1860	7.14
" Wm Crigg	" 1860	8.25
" Alex R Smith	" 1860	4.57
" Calvin T Smith	" 1860	8.80
" Samuel Adams	" 1860	167.03
" James M Pendleton	" 1860	34.99
" Matthews & Wright	" 1860	442.71
" N P Goodman	" 1860	103.31
Receipts of Thomas A Kasey for claims given him for collection		352.17
		$3741.39

In Bedford County Court Clerk's Office the 25th day of March 1861

This list of Accounts of the Eestate of Peter M Wright decd was produced in said Office and admitted to record

Teste
A A Arthur CBC"

On March 25, 1861, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 18/329 a list of bonds due to the estate of Peter Meador Wright was filed showing a value of $13,702.42:

"List of Bonds due the Estate of Peter M Wright decd

One bond on Robert B. Beard due May 26th 1859	12.00
Do Richard H. Anderson due Apl 4 1847	2.80
Do S H Board due Apl 10 1860	30.00
Do Burwell W Baker due June 21th 1859	12.00
Do Thomas J Dowdy & Jas Burton Wm A Bowles & B G Bowles due Dec 22 1858	61.50
Do James Bradley May 28th 1853	1.00
Do Rhoda Blankenship & Wm Pendleton due Nov 14, 1859	16.50
Do William W. Basham due Nov 23 1858 $1600.00	

Subject to a credit of $1000 paid Dec 3rd 1859 balance	600.00
Do Samuel W Bandy due Sept 20 1857 $500.00	
" Do Do due Septr 20 1859 456.25	956.25
" Phillip Anderson Decr 25 1854	15.00
" William B. Arthur due Novr 28 1855	51.90
" Thomas L. Bandy & JHames F. Giles due 27 Aug 1857	150.00
" Robert A Fraling due June 25th 1859	3.00
" Grief R Adams due Decr 9 1859	74.83
" Sarah Bramblett due Decr 16 1860	25.00
" Do Do " Decr 16, 1861	25.00
" Do Do " Decr 16, 1862	25.00
" S H Beard & W M Wright due May 1st 1860	12.50
" Daniel Falls & Robert L Craigg due Oct 22nd 1860	24.00
" James O. Dent due Jany 8th 1857	6.00
" William B. Cox due May 2 1859	18.00
" Thomas E. Dooley due 25 Decr 1860	20.00
John Dent due Apl 17th 1856 due bill	3.85
One bond on Robert G Craigg due Aug 3 1856	1.00
" William H Craigg & Joseph N Harth due May 5 1860	22.00
" Do Do Do Do due June 15 1859	18.00
" John W Crouch due Novr 28 1857	1.61
" George W Clark due June 24th 1860	3.04
Do Green Dearing due 26 Aug 1860	497.52
Do William R Douglass due March 6 1858 subject to credits not known	125.00
Do James Corley & L D Preston due 2 Feby 1857	5.96
Do J B Corley & Jonathan Signer due Aug 1st 1859 Subject to credit of $5.00 Aug 22 1859	55.00
Do Richard B Feather due Sept 1st 1857	335.79
Do James T Franklin due Decr 28 1852	27.53
Do Fleming Feather due 27th March 1861	120.00
Do James T Franklin Due Decr 25 1855	25.00
Do Haban R Foster due 31 Decr 1860	25.00
Do A P Feather due March 8 1859	6.97
Do Wm J Fraling & Edwd Dearing due 14 Feby 1860	13.00
Do Archibald Franklin due Oct 22nd 1860	11.00
Do Joel E Foster due Novr 16th 1859	25.00
Do Peter M Wright Jr due Decr 3rd 1859	397.62
Do Moses Walrond due Apl 1st 1859	26.00
Do William M Worley & John G Dent due Sept 9 1552 Subject to a credit of Seventy five cents	25.00
Do O H Wooldridge & John M Wright due 11 May 1859	16.50
Do Joseph P Wright due Aug 1st 1860	15.51
Do George W Webb due June 2nd 1859	18.00
Do Gabrel Wheeler due 25 Decr 1855	20.63

Do Do Do due 23rd July 1856 which Wheeler says is paid	40.00
Do John Williamson due Oct 21th 1858	47.50
Do Obediah H Wooldridge due 23rd Decr 1859	50.00
Do William M Whorley & Mary Worley due 25th Decr 1855	13.75
Do James F Giles & Joel Huddleston due 25th Decr 1858 & Subject to a credit of $80.00 leaving bal July 9th 1859	45.00
Do Joseph Hardy due Feby 10th 1858	160.00
Do Abram Howell & Jesse Howell due Novr 26th 1859	190.00
Do James Gray due May 19 1855	55.00
Do Joseph N Harth & Jesse Howell due Apl 1 1859	11.00
Do James W Grayham due 6th Feby 1860	25.74
Do Abraham Howell due 14th June 1859	12.00
Do Peter Hundby due 10th Decr 1857	14.00
Do James H Hood & Daniel Foutz due 9th May 1859	11.00
Do Jackson B Holdron due 1st Novr 1857	86.66
Do Do Do 1 Novr 1858	86.68
Do Do Do 1 Nov 1859	86.66
One Bond on Jackson B Holdron 25th Decr 1858	25.00
Do Jacob Kesler & Henny H Kesler due 25th March 1855 for $702.00 subjects to credits Amts not known	702.00
Do Thomas Kirby & Francis P Walker due Sept 1st 1860 $1000. Subject to credits of $333.35	
Aug 31 1860 Do Do 225.00	
Sept 27 1860 558.35	442.65
Do Thomas Kirby & Francis H Walker due Sept 1st 1861	1000.00
Do J C Kasey due 25th Decr 1858	300.00
Do Do Do due 25th Decr 1859	300.00
Do William J. Jeter due June 2 1860	51.73
Do William Miller due July 30 1859	79.30
Do Moorman & Peters due Decr 19th 1860	711.06
Do Jubal D Medor & Robert W Meador due Apl 7th 1858	60.00
Do William Lawhon due Oct 24 1857	9.00
James McFalls due 27th Feby 1856	55.98
Subject to credit amt not known	" "
Do William D. Morgan & Peter L Dent due Oct 10 1857	100.00
Do Washington Loyd &c due March 28th 1860	20.00
Do John L Hail & J B Corley due 25 Decr 1860	20.00
" John A Lazenby due 28th July 1859	135.00
" Daniel Olwer & John Fluke due 22nd Oct 1859 30.00 Subject to a credit of Seventy cents	29.30
" C Neighbors & Saml D Patterson due June 3rd 1859	12.00
" William Gwaltney due 31st March 1858	25.40
" Martha Pendleton & William Pendleton due June 9 1859	12.00
" Wesley Peters due 25 Decr 1860	40.00

" Martha Pendleton &c due 9 March 1860	11.00
" James M Pendleton due 8th Sept 1860	25.00
" Samuel D Patterson due 22nd Decr 1857	20.00
" R C Ramsey due 10 July 1857	16.00
" John W Turner due 13 June 1859	4.17
" John W. Turner &c due 11 Decr 1859	6.00
" Nixon W Thomas & Green Dearing 9 May 1860	27.50
" Calohil D Foster due 25th Decr 1856	7.00
" Jubal Harris due 4th June 1841 For $30.00	
Subject to a credit of $20 5th June 1841	10.00
" Obediah H Jenkins due 25th Decr 1857, $20.00	
Subject to a credit of $3.00 Jany 16th 1858	17.00
" Phillip D Kirkpatrick due Novr 30 1856 $12.92	
Subject to a credit of $4.00 Sept 13th 1855	8.92
" Harston A Leftwich due 7 May 1853	9.00
" David Meador due Octo 22 1857	18.00
" Charles H McManaway due 16th Augt 1855 $525.00	
Subject to credits Not known	525.00
" Ro C Ramsey due 25th Decr 1855	7.50
" David Meador due July 20 1844	1.90
" Joshua S Morriss due 1st March 1856	17.20
One Bond on Robert C. Ramsey due Feby 27th 1860	8.56
" Joshua S Morris &c due May 25th 1855	20.00
" William A Parne due 25th Decr 1848	2.18
" Charles H. Oliver due Decr 26 1848	5.48
" Thomas Pendleton due Nov 22nd 1855	6.71
" Thomas Pendleton &c Due Decr 25th 1855	18.75
" Thomas Pendleton due 12 Decr 1855	5.50
" William A Paine due 25 Decr 1847 $387	
Subject to a cred of 83¢ Apl 5th 1848	3.04
This amt Cash on hand	108.40
	$ 9961.03
Amount Sundy accounts receipts &c as per list	3741.39
	$13702.42

The foregoing bonds and accounts are subject to credits which are not known by us

Given under our hands this 26th day of Decr 1860

J M Matthews
J W Mays
Silas Dearing

In Bedford County Court Clerk's Office the 25th day of March 1861

This List of bonds of the Estate of Peter M Wright decd was produced in said office and admitted to record

Teste
A A Arthur C.B.C."

On April 22, 1861, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 41/547 Susan Wright, widow, joined other heirs of Peter M. Wright and Rowland D. Buford, as commissioner, to sell a parcel of land to Gustavus A. Wingfield:

"This deed made this 22nd day of April 1861, Between Susan Wright Widow and Peter M Wright Jr & Sarah J his wife, James M Wright & Mary T his wife Stephen W Wright & Joel W Wright, James D Craft & Mary J his wife, Charles H McManaway & Nancy E his wife, Joel B Lemon & Eliza A his wife, William W Basham & Susan J his wife, and Louisa F Wright heirs of Peter M Wright decd of the one part and Gustavus A Wingfield of the other part - Whereas in a suit in Chancery lately depending in the Circuit Court of Bedford County between William Gish & G A Wingfield plaintiffs and Isaac L James, Leroy C James, Samuel W Bandy and Peter M Wright defendants - on the 28th day of September 1859, it was (among other things) adjudged ordered & decreed that Rowland D Buford (who was thereby appointed a Commissioner for the purpose) should after having advertised the same in the manner prescribed by said decree, sell the tract of land in the bill in the said suit, mentioned to the highest bidder at public auction on a credit of six twelve & eighteen months for equal portion of the purchase money (except as to a sum sufficient to defray the expenses of sale and the costs of said suit, for which cash was to be required) and whereas the said Rowland D Buford in pursuance of the said decree did on the 31st day of October 1859 proceed to sell the said tract of land situate in the said County of Bedford on the Waters of Staunton River & Falling Creek and bounded as follows Viz beginning at a pile of rocks near an old brick kiln corner to Beverly Corley heirs, thence with their line to C Bandy's line, thence with his line to J Hardy's line thence with his line to Anderson's line thence with his line to C Bandy's line thence with Bandy's line Crossing Bandy's road to a dead chestnut near the road & fence in the head of a hollow, thence down the hollow With the dividing fence of Mary Bandy & Saml W Bandy (before they sold the same) to the head of a branch thence down the same as it meanders to its mouth in or Junction with another branch, thence a new line across said branch & bottom and up the hill, with a new line for Feathers, passing near a large pine & blazed sapling to James Bandy's line, thence with the old line & said Bandy's to the beginning containing by estimation one hundred & fifty acres be the same more or less, it being the same Land conveyed to the said Peter M Wright in his life time by Mary Bandy & Samuel W Bandy & Elizabeth his wife by deed bearing

date the 7th day of September 1856, with the exception of a few acres taken off from the old tract by the new line above mentioned - At which sale the said G A Wingfield became the highest bidder & purchaser of the said Land at the price of twelve hundred & forty dollars for the tract and on the 26th day of September 1860 by another decree of the said Court in the said suit, it was (among other things) adjudged ordered & decreed that the said sale should be confirmed and that out of the proceeds of the said sale there should be paid to the said Peter M Wright the sum of one thousand & forty three dollars & 62 cents with interest on $956.25 - part thereof from the 20th of September 1860 till paid (in discharge & satisfaction of his equitable lien on the said land for the balance of the purchase money for the same due him by the said Samuel W Bandy) And that upon the payment of the said sum the said Peter M Wright should convey the said land to the said G A Wingfield by deed with general warranty and procure his wife to join in the same & relinquish her right of dower in said land. And the said Peter M Wright having departed this life before the said deed was made or the said sum of money was paid - and whereas the said sum has since been paid. Now therefore these presents Witnesseth that in consideration of the premises and the sum of one dollar the said parties of the first (who are the widow and heirs of Peter M Wright decd) have and by these presents do grant unto the said G A Wingfield his heirs & assigns forever the aforesaid tract or parcel of Land with all & singular heredetaments, privileges and appurtenances, thereunto belonging or in any wise appurtaining. To have and to hold unto him the said G A Wingfield his heirs & assigns forever And the said parties of the first part do covenant to & with the said Wingfield his heirs & assigns, that they will warrant generally the property hereby conveyed. Witness the following signatures & seals

Susan Wright
Peter M Wright Jun
James M. Wright
Charles H McManaway
Nancy A McManaway
Stephen W Wright
Joel W Wright
James D Craft
Joel B Lemon
Wm W Basham
Mary T Wright
Eliza A Lemon
Mary J Craft
Sarah J Wright
Susas J Basham

State of Virginia Bedford County = to wit:

I James M Matthews a Justice of the Peace for the County aforesaid, do certify that Susan Wright (widow) Peter M Wright Jr James M Wright, Stephen W Wright, Joel W Wright, James D Craft Charles H McManaway, Joel B Lemon and William W Basham whose names are signed to the writing above bearing date on the 22nd day of Apl 1861 have acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid.

Given under my hand this 28th day of May 1861.

James M Matthews JP

State of Virginia Bedford County = to wit:

We James M Matthews and Feeling H Jeter Justices of the Peace for the County aforesaid do certify that Sarah J Wright the wife of Peter M Wright Jr Mary T Wright, the wife of James M Wright, Mary J Craft the wife of James D Craft, Nancy E McMannaway the wife of Charles H McMannaway, Eliza A Lemon the wife of Joel B Lemon, & Susan J Basham the wife of William W Basham, whose names are signed to the writing annexed bearing date on the 22nd day of April 1861, personally appeared before us in the County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from their husbands and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to them they the said Sarah J Wright Mary T Wright Mary J Craft, Nancy E McMannaway Eliza A Lemon & Susan J Basham, acknowledged the said writing to be their act and declared that they had Willingly executed the same and does not wish to retract it - Given under our hands this 28th day of May 1861

J M Matthews JP
F. H Jeter

In Bedford County Court Clerk's Office the 25th day of July 1861

This deed from the Heirs of Peter M Wright Deceased to Gustavus A Wingfield conveying real estate was produced in said office together with the Certificates thereto annexed and admitted to record

Teste,
A A Arthur CBC"

On May 27, 1861, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 41/582 Susan Wright and the children of Peter M. Wright conveyed to Evan J. West 18 acres of land purchased by West from Peter M. Wright during Peter's lifetime:

> "This deed made the 27th day of May in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty one between Susan Wright widow & James M Wright & Mary T his wife James D Craft & Mary J his Wife, Charles H McManaway & Nancy A his wife, Peter M Wright Jun & Sarah J his wife Joel B Lemon & Eliza A his wife, William W Basham & Susan J his wife Stephen W Wright, Joel W Wright and Louisa F Wright heirs of Peter M Wright decd of the one part & Evan J West of the other part Witnesseth that in consideration of the sum of one hundred and five dollars paid the said Peter M Wright sen in his lifetime the said Susan Wright James M Wright and Mary T his wife, James D Craft & Mary J his wife, Charles H McManaway & Nancy A his wife Peter M Wright Jr & Sarah J his wife Joel B Lemon & Eliza A his wife, William W Basham & Susan J his Wife Stephen W Wright Joel W Wright and Louisa F Wright do grant with general Warranty unto the said Evan J West all that tract or parcel of land situate lying & being in the County of Bedford between the two branches and above the Juncttion of the same known by West Spring branch and the other is the one running down from Jordans little field known by Jabes field containing eighteen acres more or less it being a portion of the Little or Buford tract of land sold by Fields & Fouts Commissioners and purchased by the said Peter M Wright sen. Witness the following signatures and seals
>
> Susan Wright
> Peter M Wright Jun
> James M Wright
> Joel W Wright
> Stephen W Wright
> James D Craft
> Joel B Lemon
> Wm W Basham
> Charles H McManaway
> Nancy A McManaway
> Mary T Wright
> Eliza A Lemon
> Mary J Craft
> Sarah J Wright
> Susan J Basham

State of Virginia
Bedford County to wit

I James M Matthews a Justice of the Peace for the County aforesaid do certify that Susan Wright (widow) Peter M Wright Jr. James M Wright Stephen W. Wright, Joel W Wright, James D. Craft, Joel B. Lemon William W Basham & Charles H McManaway whose names are signed to the writing above, bearing date on the 27th day of May 1861, have acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand this 28th day of May 1861.

J. M. Matthews J.P.

State of Virginia
Bedford County to wit

We James M Matthews and Feeling H Jeter Justices of the Peace for the County aforesaid do certify that Sarah J Wright the wife of Peter M Wright Jr. Mary T Wright the wife of James M Wright, Mary J Craft the wife of James D Craft Eliza A Lemon the wife of Joel B Lemon Susan J Basham the wife of William W Basham and Nancy E McManaway the Wife of Charles H McManaway whose names are signed to the writing annexed, bearing date on the 27th day of May 1861, personally appeared before us in the County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from their husbands they the said Sarah J Wright, Mary T Wright, Mary J Craft, Eliza A Lemon, Susan J Basham and Nancy E McManaway acknowledged the said writing to be their act and declared that they had willingly executed the same and does not wish to retract it. Given under our hands this 28th day of May 1861.

J. M. Matthews J.P.
F. H. Jeter J.P.

At a County Court held for Bedford County at the Courthouse thereof on Monday the 28th day of October 1861

This deed from the heirs of Peter M Wright sr decd to Evan J West conveying real estate was produced in Court & together with the Certificates thereto annexed ordered to be recorded

Teste
A A Arthur CBC"

On May 28, 1861, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 41/563 Sarah J. Wright joined the other heirs of Peter M. Wright to sell to Charles McManaway 183-3/4 acres of land that belonged to the estate of Peter Meador Wright to Charles McManaway:

> "This deed made the 28th day of May in yeear one thousand and eight hundred and Sixty one between Susan Wright, James M Wright & Mary T his wife, James D Craft & Mary J his Wife, Peter M Wright & Sarah J his wife, Joel B Lemon & Eliza A his wife, William W Basham & Susan J his wife, Stephen W Wright, Joel W Wright, & Louisa F Wright, of the one part & Charles H McMannaway of the other part. Witnesseth that in consideration of the sum of twelve hundred dollars we the said Grantees do grant unto the said Charles H McMannaway a certain tract or parcel of land lying in the County of Bedford on the east branch of Beaver dam Creek containing one hundred and eighty three 3/4 more or less and bounded as follows beginning at a stake in the Peatown Road (Wills & Thomas corner) thence North 22°1/4 E 184°8/10 poles to a hickory on the side of the mountain thence S 26 E 31-1/2 poles to an old marked hickory about 3/4 of a pole west of a large rock on the south east side of ridge thence N 33-3/4 E 45 poles in Dickinson's line thence S 80 E 140 poles to two pointers Chestnuts near an old field a corner in McManaways line Thence S 41 W 9-8/10 poles to 4 chestnuts three growing from the same root on top of the mountain N 88-1/2 W 35 poles to a pile of rocks & pointers thence S 47-1/2 W 72-1/2 poles to a hickory on a ridge the S 3-3/4 E 83-8/10 poles to 3 post oaks on the top of the Mountain thence S 11-3/4 W 28-4/10 poles to a dogwood on the siide of the mountain near the top thence S 74-3/4 W 50-1/2 poles passing an old Corner locust in all 70-1/2 poles to a planted stone near a white oak thence S 8 poles to a stake & pile of rocks on a bank ____ poles to a white former corner two white oaks one gone thence N 22-1/4 E 64-2/10 poles to the first station & we the Grantees do further covenant the we will forever warrant & defend the right & title to the said tract of land with all the appurtenances thereunto attached to the said Charles H McManaway his heirs personal representatives & assigns against the claims & demands of all persons whomsoever Witness the following signatures & seals the day day & year above written
>
> Susan Wright
> James M Wright
> Peter M Wright Jun
> Joel W Wright
> Stephen W Wright
> James D Craft
> Joel B Lemon
> Wm W Basham
> Mary T Wright

Eliza A Lemon
Mary J Craft
Sarah J Wright
Susan J Basham

State of Virginia Bedford County to wit

I James M Matthews a Justice of the Peace for the County aforesaid do certify that Susan Wright (widow) Peter M Wright Jr, James M Wright, Stephen W Wright, Joel Wright James D Craft, Joel B Lemon and William W Basham, whose names are signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the 28th day of May 1861, have acknolwedged the same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand this 28th day of May 1861

J M Matthews

State of Virginia Bedford County to wit

We James M Matthews and Feeling H Jeter Justices of the Peace for the County aforesaid do certify, that Sarah J Wright Wife of Peter M Wright Jr, Mary T Wright Wife of James M Wright, Mary J Craft Wife of James D Craft, Eliza A Lemon wife of Joel B Lemon and Susan J Basham the wife of William W Basham, whose names are signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the 28th day of May 1861, personally appeared before us in the County aforesaid, and being examined by us privily and apart from their husbands and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to them, they the said Sarah J Wright Mary T Wright Mary J Craft Eliza A Lemon and Susan J Basham acknowledged the said writing to be their acts, and declared that they had willingly executed the same, and does not wish to retract it Given under our hands this 28th day of May 1861

J M Matthews JP
F. H Jeter JP

At a Court held for Bedford County at the Courthouse August 26th 1861

This deed from Susan Wright and others to Charles H McManaway conveying real estate was produced in court and together with the Certificates thereto annexed ordered to be recorded

Teste
A A Arthur CBC"

The birth record of Leroy, a slave of Susan Wright, was dated on January 8, 1862, at Bedford County, Virginia:

"Name of Child:	Leroy
Date of Birth:	January 8, 1862
Color:	Colored
Status:	Slave
Sex:	Male
Born:	Alive
Place of Birth:	Bedford
Owner's Name:	Susan Wright
No. at Birth:	1
Informant:	Susan Wright
Relation of Informant:	Owner"

On March 2, 1863, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 42/217 Peter M. Wright appointed Joseph W. Mays his attorney in fact to act for him in connection with the estate of Silas Dearing:

> "Know all men by these presents that I Peter M Wright of the County of Bedford Va being one of the administrators of Silas Dearing dec & having been one of the Commissioners appointed by the County Court of Bedford to sell certain tracts of land belonging to the estate of the said Silas Dearing, have made and appointed & by these presents do appoint Joseph W Mays of the County & State aforesaid my lawful attorney for me and in my name and stead to sell the lands named in said decree also the slaves & such other personal property as he may deem adviseable and for me and in my name as commisioner to make execute, acknowledge and deliver to the purchasers thereof good and sufficient deeds for the same, giveing to my said attorney full power to do any and every act whatever necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to every intent as I might or could do were I personally present acting. Hereby satifying and confirming whatever my said attorney shall lawfully do in the premises, in witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand & seal, this 2nd day of March in the year 1863
>
> Peter M Wright
>
> County of Caroline to wit
>
> I John H De Jarnett a Justice of the peace for the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do certify that Peter M Wright whose name is signed to writing above

bearing date on the 2nd day of March 1863 has acknowledged the same before me in my County afoersaid. Given under my hand this 2nd March 1863

J H De Jarnett

In Bedford County Court Clerks Office March the 23rd 1863

This power of Attorney from Peter M Wright to Joseph W Mays was produced in said Office and together with the certificate thereto annexed admitted to record

Teste
A A Arthur C.B.C"

On June 15, 1863, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 42/361 Susan Wright purchased 100 acres of land from Joel B. Lemon and Eliza A. Lemon:

"This Deed made the 15th day of June in the year one thousand eight hundred and Sixty three between Joel B Lemon and Eliza A his wife of the County of Botetourt and State of Virginia of the first part and Susan Wright of the County of Bedford and State aforesaid of the second part Witnesseth: that in consideration of the sum of Two thousand dollars the payment of which is secured to him by bond from William W Basham the said Joel B Lemon and Eliza A his wife doth grant unto the said Susan Wright all that tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in the County of Bedford and on the waters of Beaver Dam creek containing by recent survey One hundred acres be it the same more or less and adjoining the lands of Joel Wright Edward W Dearing, P M Wright and others the metes and bounds of which will appear by reference to the plots accompanying the Commissioners report of the division of lands of Peter M Wright Decd and that we will warrant generally the property hereby conveyed, and that the grantee shall have quiet possession of the said land free from all encumbrances. Witness the following signatures and seals

Joel B Lemon
Eliza A Lemon

Botetourt County to wit

We Samuel Young and John Ammen Justices of the peace in and for said County do hereby certify that this day Joel B Lemon and Eliza A Lemmon wife of said Joel B Lemmon whose names are signed to the within Deed bearing date on the 15th day of June 1863 have this day personally appeared before us in our County and acknowledged and subscribed the same. We further certify that we have examined the the said Eliza A Lemmon wife of the said Joel B Lemmon, privily and apart from her said husband and after having the said Deed fully

explained to her, she acknowledged the same to be her act & deed and that she had signed it willingly and did not wish to retract it, and wishd us to certify to the Clerk of said County that the same might be recorded. Given under our hands and seals this 25th day of August 1863

Saml Young J.P.
John Ammen J.P.

At a County Court begun and held for Bedford County at the Courthouse on Monday the 26th day of October 1863 in the 88th year of the Commonwealth. This deed from Joel B Lemon and Eliza A his wife to Susan Wright conveying real estate, was produced in Court and together with the certificate thereto annexed ordered to be recorded

Teste
A A Arthur C.B.C

1866 Decr 31st $1.00 United States Internal Revenue Stamp, placed on the original of the foregoing deed and cancelled this day according to law.

Teste
A A Arthur C.B.C."

On March 28, 1864, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 20/75 Stephen W. Wright and Joel Wright filed their accounting for the estate of Peter Meador Wright:

"The Estate of Peter M Wright dec
In A/c with Stephen W Wright & Joel Wright Admrs

Dr

1860			
Dec 21	To Cash paid John B Crenshaw Auctioneer	1	25.00
" "	" Cash paid Wm H Preas on Tax	2	65.00
" "	" Cash paid John G Nichols	3	10.00
1861			
Jany 10	" Cash paid D Newsom	4	130.00
11	" Cash paid Mary T Wright Bond	5	126.88
14	" Cash paid W H Preas Tax	6	77.67
Feby 16	" Cash paid J W Mays on Bond	7	135.00
"	" Cash paid H C Dickinson	8	5.00
Feby 23	" Cash paid Thomas Kasey	8	15.46
25	" Cash paid Gish & Holley	9	12.45
"	" Cash paid A P Feather	10	1.00
"	" Cash pd Fleming Feather	11	5.04

"	"	Cash paid A P Smith	12	.25
9	"	Cash paid A J Thomas	13	8.00
"	"	Cash paid Thomas Dooley	14	2.50
	"	Cash pd Henry Neighbors	15	45.35
	"	Cash paid Wm D West	16	1.00
14	"	Cash paid Wm Dooley	17	67.22
	"	Cash paid Thomas Dooley	18	30.25
16	"	Cash paid Jos W Mays	19	86.16
25	"	Cash paid Tax in Roanoke	20	39.65
	"	Cash paid for advertising Sale	21	6.50
	"	Cash paid H C Dickinson	22	.75
23	"	Cash paid R W Elam	23	8.56
March	"	Cash paid S G Stewart	24	24.52
	"	Cash paid Wright & Goodmans a/c	25	4.93
Apl	"	Cash paid Jos Feather	26	46.38
15	"	Cash paid Chs Preas	27	1.54
24	"	Cash paid Comr Ticket	28	2.75
	"	Cash paid Nancy Johnson	29	100.00
23	"	Cash paid Peter L Thomas	30	1.52
	"	Cash paid Jas A Wright	31	10.00
May	"	Cash paid W T Craft	32	10.00
27	"	Cash paid J B Corley	33	3.65
28	"	Cash paid J M Matthews & Co	34	4.50
July 25	"	Cash paid G A Wingfield on Bond	35	1149.03
	"	Cash pd Nancy Johnson " "	36	151.20
	"	Cahs paid James A Wright	37	17.41
30	"	Cash paid Tax & Tickets	38	53.48
"	"	Cash paid Wm H Preas	39	4.40
Aug 3	"	Cash paid J W Mays	40	4.00
11	To	Cash paid J P A Harris	41	54.13
	"	Cash paid Nancy Johnson	42	10.00
Sep	"	Cash paid A A Smith	43	351.00
19	"	Cash paid J D K Mays	44	6.00
Nov 30	"	Cash paid Tax & Tickets	45	152.97
Dec	"	Cash paid Tax & Tickets	46	113.05
1862				
Jany 27	"	Cash paid T J Robertson	47	52.10
Feby 5	"	Cash paid A A Smith	48	558.28
" 7	"	Cash paid A Gooldy	49	50.86
18	"	Cash paid Wm Early	50	16.20
	"	Cash paid Jane Richardson	51	219.23
24	"	Cash paid J F Johnson	52	30.00
March 18	"	Cash paid J W Mays	53	125.24
June 8	"	Cash paid Nancy Johnson	54	767.01

		" Com on $7598.44	379.92
		" Bal	2210.14
			7598.44

Cr

1860			
Jany	12	By Cash of Jas M Wright	.50
	"	" Cash on hand	108.40
	"	" Cash of Jas M Wright Trustee for Saml Adams	102.49
	30	" Cash of Wm J Jeter	.75
Feby	7	" Cash of Wm J Jeter	2.90
	13	" Cash of Moorman & Peters	150.00
March	9	" Cash of Archibald Franklin	5.00
	"	" Cash of G R Adams	25.00
	23	" Cash of Daniel Oliver	10.00
		" Cash of R W Elam	8.56
Apl	6	" Cash of J F Giles	35.00
		" Cash of Fleming Feather	30.00
		" Cash of Jos Feather	42.49
		" Cash of Washington Loyd	5.33
	2	" Cash of M Franklin	7.71
		" Cash of Jno G Kasey	2.75
		" Cash of Josiah Nimno	1.25
		" Cash of E S Wildman	40.00
		" Cash of G A Wingfield on decree vs Saml Bandy	1092.20
July	26	" Cash of John A Lazenby	151.20
		" Cash of Wm H Preas for Sarah Bramblett claim & County claim	38.15
Aug	1	" Cash of C McMannaway	419.60
		" Cash of Same	33.91
		" Cash of John P Harris	54.13
		" Cash of J B Holdren	50.00
		" Cash of F H Walker	333.33
		" Cash of S W Hensley	.88
1862			
		" Cash of Moorman Peters	100.00
Feby	4	" Cash of Moorman Peters	500.21
		" Cash of Wesley Peters	42.66
		" Cash of Joel Franklin	5.00
		By Cash of Jane Richardson	141.22
March		" Cash of Archibald Franklin	6.63
		" Cash of Fleming Feather	7.13
		" Cash of Board Thomas	1.65
"	"	" Cash of D M Newsom	6.42

1861				
Jany 1	"	Cash of Walker & Kirby		300.00
	"	Cash of James M Wright		14.12
	"	Cash of A P Feather		12.45
	"	Cash of Fleming Feather		56.26
	"	Cash of A R Smith		4.51
	"	Cash of Andrew Thomas		6.92
	"	Cash of Th E Dooley		26.14
	"	Cash of Joel Franklin		2.12
	"	Cash of George Dunsmore		4.57
	"	Cash of Walker & Kirby		35.00
	"	Cash of S H Quarles		19.22
Apl 22	"	Cash Carner & Kirby		118.82
	"	Cash of Richard Turner		5.30
	"	Cash of Carner & Kirby		676.67
	"	Cash of Wm Bowles		17.60
	"	Cash of James M Wright		1.81
	"	Cash of Same		25.00
	"	Cash of Wm Basham		2.00
	"	Cash of ____ Holdren		51.89
1862				
Feby	"	Cash of Alfred Gooldy		13.75
	"	Cash of J M Pendleton		2.38
18	"	Cash of Wm Whorley Bond & A/c		18.95
	"	Cash of James Kasey		50.00
	"	Cash of G R Adams		61.55
	"	Cash of Wm Basham		600.00
	"	Cash of J B Holdren		60.00
	"	Cash of W Neighbors	on sale	30.58
	" "	James O Wright	"	17.41
	" "	Wm W Basham	"	195.15
	" "	C H McMannaway	"	15.36
	" "	John G Kasey	"	1.08
	" "	Meador Smith & Co	"	1.08
	" "	Isaac Cundiff	"	.50
	" "	Elias Arthur	"	.15
	" "	Wm J Jeter	"	3.05
	"	Cash of George Drury	"	.50
	"	Cash of J W Mays	"	1.10
	"	Cash of R Jeter	"	16.50
	"	Cash of J Crawford	"	2.05
	"	Cash of Wm Jeter	"	.10
	"	Cash of Wm Wright	"	.15
	"	Cash of E C Jacobs	"	.50

	" Cash of Jas Dickerson	"	.15
	" Cash of S Board	"	5.80
	" " T Meador	"	2.87
	By Cash of M Meador	on sale	.20
	" " Robert Beard	"	1.50
	" " G Leftwich	"	.25
	" " Wm Tinsley	"	4.00
	" " Jos Hardy	"	3.24
	" " Wm Payne	"	.65
	" " Saml Brown	"	.55
	" " F H Board	"	1.54
	" " W Burford	"	.50
	" " Wm Tinsley	"	.51
	" " Henry Kesler	"	1.07
	" " Mercer Gray	"	.36
	" " John Brown	"	1.41
	" " G Clark	"	.25
	" " L Debo	"	.25
	" " Jas Board	"	.25
	" " D Wooldridge	"	6.75
	" " John Gwaltney	"	8.50
	" " James Carner	"	.15
	" Cash of Harvey Baher	on ex	223.00
	" " " Th J Thomason	Sale	10.50
	" " " F H Board	"	100.00
	" " " Geo Drury	"	15.00
	Jno Couch	"	20.55
	J B Holdren	"	11.78
	Jas Hood	"	12.33
	Jas Poindexter	"	2.80
	F H Board	"	226.71
	J M Matthews	"	900.00
			7598.44

Dr

1862			
Jany 30	To Cash paid Wm Graves	55	13.84
	" Cash paid G A Wingfield	56	141.00
	" Cash paid Same	57	39.00
	" Cash paid John Siner	58	476.41
	" Cash paid Dr Sutphen	59	15.00
	" Cash paid Peter M Wright Jr	60	286.87
	" Cash paid John Thaxton	61	106.58
	" Cash paid Jno Goode	62	36.00
	" Cash paid J M Matthews	63	4.50

	"	Cash paid A Smith	64	892.50
	"	Cash paid Tickets	65	2.78
	"	Cash paid T A Kasey	66	8.66
	"	Cash paid J A Marshall	67	.33
	"	Cash paid A A Smith	68	894.16
July	"	Com: on $1826		91.30
	"			20.00
	"	Bal		1140.34
				4169.29

Cr

1862			
July 1	By Balance		2210.14
25	" Cash of Peter M Wright		204.97
	" " Same on Bond		81.90
	" " W W Basham		52.71
	" " Same		194.64
	" " Harvey Baker on execu		300.00
	" " Bandy & Giles		198.00
	" " Same		19.50
1863			
March 2	" " J McMannaway		43.36
	" " James Kasey		384.75
	" " Moses Waldrond		32.50
	" " R Oliver		18.00
	" Cash of John O Beard		36.51
	" Cash of James C Kasey		70.00
	" " James M Pendleton		28.60
	" " Minor W Thomas		32.90
	" " Jacob Kesler		122.54
	" " Henry H Kesler		35.67
July 1	" Int on $2210		132.60
			4169.29
1863			
July 1	By Bal due the Estate		1140.36

Paymt to Distributees not included in the a bove account viz James D Craft & wife

Cash paid July 29 1861	190.72
Int	21.93
Cash Jany 3rd 1863	325.00
Int	9.65
	547.30

Charles H McMannaway & wife	
Cash Aug 1 1861	468.87
Int	43.92
Cash 2 March 1863	581.11
Int	11.62
	1105.52
W W Basham & wife	
Cash Jany 9 1863	75.00
Int	2.15
	77.15
	547.30
	1105.52
Total	1729.97

I certify that having advertised the same according to law, I have settled the account current of the estate of P M Wright dec with S W & J W Wright Admrs as above

J A Wharton C

At a Monthly Court begun and held for Bedford County at the Courthouse on monday the 28th day of March 1864

The Settlement of the accounts of Stephen W Wright and Joel W Wright Administrators of Peter M Wright deceased was produced in Court and having lain in the Clerks Office of said Court more than one month and no exception having been taken thereto, it was examined confirmed and ordered to be recorded.

Teste
A A Arthur C.B.C"

On February 26, 1866, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 20/350 Stephen W. Wright and Joel Wright filed a further accounting for the estate of Peter Meador Wright:

"The Estate of Peter M. Wright Decd.
In a/c with J. W. & S. W. Wright Admrs

1863		Dr		Prin	Int
Sept 8		To Cash paid Jno Goode fees	1	30.04	
		" Cash paid Same	2	20.00	
		" Cash paid J. P Wright	3	14.00	
Dec	28	" Cash paid Con Tax	4	50.00	

1864					
Jany		" Cash paid S W Hensley	5	21.48	
	22	" Cash paid L A Sale	6	10.00	
July 1		" Commissions on $1439.96		71.99	
		" Commissioner for settling a/c		20.00	
		" Bal		2342.85	
				2580.32	68.41
1863		Cr			
July	1	By Balance due on last Settlement		1140.36	
Sept	10	" Cash of Jno Williamson on bond		61.75	
		" Cash of Daniel Oliver		21.35	
	23	" Cash of Jos P. Wright		17.30	
Nov		" Cash of Geo Clark		3.64	
1864					
Jany	10	" Cash of S. H. Beard		16.06	
	15	" Cash of Joel B. Lemon		55.00	
	19	" Cash of Fleming Feather		98.32	
	"	" Cash of John G. Kasey		8.00	
Feby		" Cash of J. D. K. Mays		2.85	
March	12	" Cash of J. T. Franklin		200.00	
		By Cash of Joseph Wright Sale Money		23.70	
		" Cash of Wm M. Crumb "		41.21	
		" Cash of Isaac M. Wright "		726.91	
		" Cash of Jas M. Drewry "		43.81	
		" Cash of Joel B. Lemon "		26.96	
		" Cash of Green B. Dearing "		30.90	
		" Cash of Silas Dearing "		45.70	
		" Cash of Robt Pogue "		16.50	
July 1		" Int On $1140.36			68.41
				2580.32	68.41
1864		Cr			
July	1	By Bal due estate		2342.85	68.41

Paymts to distributees not included in above

To James D. Craft & Wife		547.30
Int on 525.72		30.94
		578.24
C. H. McManaway & wife	1105.52	
Int on $1049.98	62.99	1168.41
W. W. Basham	77.15	
Int on $75	4.50	81.65
	1828.30	

I Certify that having advertised the same according to law, I have settled the account Current of the estate of P. M Wright With J. W & S Wright Wright admrs as above.

A. A. Wharton C.

At a Court of Quarterly Sessions begun and held for Bedford County at the Courthouse on monday the 26th day of February 1866.

This Settlement of the accounts of J. W. & S. W. Wright administrators of the estate of Peter M. Wright Deceased, having lain in the Clerk's Office of this Court, more than one month, was produced in Court, and no exception having been taken thereto, it was examined confirmed and Ordered to be recorded.

Teste
A A Arthur C.B.C"

On May 1, 1866, at Bedford County, Virginia, Chancery Court Order Book 4/306 Peter M. Wright's suit against William Gish and others was abated by reason of Peter M. Wright's death:

"Peter M Wright — Plaintiff
against
William Gish, William H. Fleshman, David H. Gish & others — Defendants

The Plaintiff having departed this life, it is therefore ordered, that this suit abate."

On August 8, 1866, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 43/265 Susan Wright and other heirs of Peter M. Wright, Sr., by Albon A. Arthur, as commissioner, transferred to Peter Meador Wright, Jr., 15 acres of land that belonged to the estate of Peter Meador Wright:

"This Deed made this 8th day of August One thousand eight hundred and sixty six between James D. Craft and Mary J his wife, Charles H. McManaway, and Nancy E. his wife, Joel B. Lemon and Eliza A. his wife, William W. Basham and Susan J his wife, James M Wright, Susan Wright, Louisa F. Wright Joel W. Wright and Stephen W. Wright of the one part, and Peter M. Wright Jr. of the other part, Whereas in a suit in chancery depending in the County Court of Bedford County in which the said Peter M Wright Jr, James D. Craft and wife and others are plaintiffs and Stephen W. Wright and Joel W. Wright in their own right and as administrators of Peter M. Wright deceased, and others defendants. The said Court did at its January Term 1862 (among other things) adjudge, order

and decree that the said parties of the first part, should by proper deed convey unto the said Peter M. Wright Jr. the parcel of Land advanced to him by his father Peter M. Wright deceased in his lifetime, And that Albon A. Arthur should be a Commissioner to execute the said deed on behalf of the said parties of the first part, Now therefore this deed witnesseth, that in consideration of the premises and of the sum of one dollar, (the said parties of the first part, by the said Arthur Commissioner in pursuance of the said decree, hereby convey with special warranty unto the said Peter M. Wright Jr. the said parcel of land advanced to him as aforesaid, said to contain about fifteen Acres and lying near Beaverdam Creek and adjoining the lands of Joseph W. Mays, Joel W. Wright and James T. Bowles. Witness the following signatures and seals.

James D. Craft
Mary J. Craft
Charles H. McManaway
Nancy E. McManaway
Joel B. Lemon
Eliza A. Lemon
William W. Basham
Susan J. Basham
James M. Wright
Susan Wright
Louisa F. Wright
Joel W. Wright
& Stephen W. Wright
By Albon A. Arthur Comsr.

In Bedford County Court Clerk's Office February 9th 1867.

This Deed from James D. Craft and wife and others by Albon A. Arthur Comsr to Peter M. Wright Jr. conveying real estate was produced in said Office, (stamped according to Law) acknowledged by A. A. Arthur and admitted to record.

Teste,
Ro. S. Quarles,
Deputy Clerk."

On August 8, 1866, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 43/266 Susan Wright and other heirs of Peter M. Wright, Sr., by Albon A. Arthur, as commissioner, transferred to Eliza A. Lemon 100 acres of land that belonged to the estate of Peter Meador Wright:

"This Deed made this 8th day of August One thousand, eight hundred and sixty six between Peter M. Wright Jr. James D. Craft and Mary J his wife, Charles H. McManaway and Nancy E his wife, Joel B. Lemon, William W. Basham and

Susan J. his wife, James M. Wright, Susan Wright, Louisa F. Wright, Joel W. Wright and Stephen W. Wright of the one part, and Eliza A Lemon of the other part, Whereas in a suit in chancery depending in the County Court of Bedford County in which the said Peter M. Wright Jr. James D. Craft and wife and others are plaintiffs, and Stephen W. Wright and Joel W. Wright in their own right and as Administrators of Peter M. Wright decd and others defendants. The said Court did at its January Term 1862 among other things adjudge, order and decree that the said parties of the first part, should by proper deed convey unto the said Eliza A. Lemon the tract of Land advanced to her by her father Peter M. Wright deceased in his lifetime, and that Albon A. Arthur should be a Commissioner to execute the said deed on behalf of the said parties of the first part. Now therefore this deed witnesseth that in consideration of the premises and of the sum of One dollar the said parties of the first part, by the said Arthur Commissioner in pursuance of the said decree, hereby convey with special warranty unto the said Eliza A. Lemon the said tract of Land advanced to her as aforesaid, said to contain about One hundred acres and lying on the Head waters of Beaver dam Creek adjoining the lands of Malinda Holdron, Washington B Loyd, William B. Stanley and others, Witness the following signatures and seals.

Peter M. Wright Jr.
James D. Craft
Mary J. Craft
Charles H. McManaway
Nancy E. McManaway
Joel B. Lemon
William W. Basham
Susan J. Basham
James M. Wright
Susan Wright
Louisa F. Wright
Joel W. Wright
& Stephen W. Wright
By Albon A. Arthur Comsr.

In Bedford County Court Clerk's Office February 9th 1867.

This Deed from Peter M. Wright Jr. and others by Albon A. Arthur Comsr to Eliza A. Lemon conveying real estate was produced in said Office (stamped according to Law) acknowledged by A. A. Arthur and admitted to record.

Teste
Ro. S. Quarles
Deputy Clerk."

On August 8, 1866, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 43/267 Susan Wright and other heirs of Peter M. Wright, Sr., by Albon A. Arthur, as commissioner, transferred to Joel W. Wright 120 acres of land that belonged to the estate of Peter Meador Wright.

"This Deed made this 8th day of August One thousand, eight hundred and sixty six between Peter M. Wright Jr. James D. Craft and Mary J his wife, Charles H. McManaway and Nancy E his wife, Joel B. Lemon and Eliza A his wife, William W. Basham and Susan J. his wife, James M. Wright, Susan Wright, Louisa F. Wright and Stephen W. Wright of the one part, and Joel W. Wright of the other part, Whereas in a suit in Chancery depending in the County Court of Bedford County in which the said Peter M. Wright Jr. James D. Craft and wife and others are Plaintiffs and Stephen W. Wright and Joel W. Wright in their own right and as Administrators of Peter M. Wright deceased and others defendants, The said Court did at its January Term 1862, (among other things) adjudge, order and decree that the said parties of the first part, should by proper deed convey unto the said Joel W Wright the tract of land advanced to him by his father Peter M. Wright deceased in his lifetime, and that Albon A. Arthur should be a Commissioner to execute the said deed on behalf of the said parties of the first part, Now therefore this deed witnesseth, that in consideration of the premises and of the sum of One dollar, the said parties of the first part, by the said Arthur Commissioner in pursuance of the said decree, hereby convey with special warranty unto the said Joel W. Wright the said tract of land advanced to him as aforesaid, said to contain about One hundred & twenty acres and lying on the Beaverdam Creek adjoining the lands of Edward W. Dearing Joseph W. Mays and perhaps others. Witness the following signatures and seals.

Peter M. Wright Jr.
James D. Craft
Mary J. Craft
Charles H. McManaway
Nancy E. McManaway
Joel B. Lemon
Eliza A. Lemon
William W. Basham
Susan J. Basham
James M. Wright
Susan Wright
Louisa F. Wright
& Stephen W. Wright
By A. A. Arthur Comsr.

In Bedford County Court Clerk's Office February 9th 1867.

This Deed from Peter M. Wright Jr & others by Albon A. Arthur Comsr to Joel W. Wright conveying real estate was produced in said Office (stamped according to Law) acknowledged by A. A. Arthur and admitted to record.

Teste,
Ro. S. Quarles.
Deputy Clerk."

On March 11, 1867, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 21/114 Stephen W. Wright and Joel Wright filed a further accounting for the estate of Peter Meador Wright:

"Estate of P. M. Wright estate
In A/c with S. W. & J. W. Wright Adms.

				Prin	Int.
1864					
Sept		To Cash paid tax	1	26.38	
1865					
July	1	" Com on $173.60		8.68	
		Bal		2481.39	208.93
				2516.35	208.93
1864		Cr.			
Jany	1	By Bal due on last Settlement		2342.85	68.41
		" Cash of Wm Basham on bond		150.00	
		" Cash of Nathan Neighbors on sale		23.60	
1865					
July	1	Int on $2342.85			140.52
				2516.45	208.93
1865		Dr			
Dec	31	To Cash paid tax	2	6.54	
1866					
July		" Bal		2494.85	357.79
				2481.39	357.79
1865		Cr.			
July	1	By Bal due estate		2481.39	208.93
1866					
July	1	" Int on $2481.39			148.86
				2481.39	357.79
1866		Dr			
Dec	31	To Cash paid tax	3	1.19	
"	"	" Cash paid for stamps	4	2.00	
		" Amt S. W. & J. W. Wrights A/c	5	146.42	

	" Com for settling A/c	6	5.00	
	" Bal		2320.24	432.01
			2474.85	432.01
1866		Cr.		
July 1	By Balance		2474.85	357.79
Dec 31	" Int			74.22
			2474.85	432.01
1867		Cr.		
Jany 1	By Balance due estate fr		2820.85	482.01
	Int		432.01	
			2752.86	

Payments to Distributees			
James D Craft & wife		578.24	
Int on $1525.72 from 1st July 1860		78.25	656.49
C. H. McMannaway & wife		1168.41	
Int on 1049.98 from 1 July 1864		157.31	1325.72
W. W. Basham		81.65	
Int on $75 from 1st July 1864		11.21	92.90
S. F. Wright Cash 1st June 1863		1142.71	
	Cash Dec 23d 1863	633.00	
	Cash Jany 1 1864	50.11	
			1825.82
	Int.	273.00	2098.82
			4173.93

I certify that having advertised the same according to law, I have settled the account current of P. M. Wright's estate with S. W. & J. W. Wright Admrs as above.

J. A. Wharton C.
Jany 1867.

In Bedford County Court Clerk's Office March 11th 1867.

This settlement of the accounts of S. W. & J. W. Wright Administrators of the estate of P. M. Wright decd, was this day returned and filed in said Office.

Teste,
A. A. Arthur C.B.C."

On October 5, 1868, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 44/167 Susan Wright, the widow of Peter M. Wright, joined the other heirs at law in selling a parcel of land to Edmund W. Sale:

> "This deed made this the 5th day of October 1868 between James M Wright of the one part, and Edmund W Sale of the other part, Witnesseth that whereas on the 22nd day of June 1858, Richard B Feather, by his deed bearing date on the day and year aforesaid and which is recorded in the office of the clerk of the county court of Bedford, did convey in trust to the said James M Wright that certain tract of land herein after described for the purpose of securing to Peter M Wright assignees of Anthony P Wright the payment of Three hundred & thirty five 79/100 dols evidenced by bond dated on the 1st day of Sept 1857 payable on the 1st day of September 1858, and to Peter M Wright Thirty Six 30/100 Dols due and payable on the 23rd day of November 1857 and Nine Dols, due and payable on the 1st day of April 1858 with full power to sell the same upon the premises at public auction for cash upon the failure of the said Richard B Feather to pay the said sums of money when required by the said Peter M Wright after they become due and apply the proceeds of the said Sale to the payment of the said debt And whereas the said Richard B Feather failed to pay the said sums of money when the same became due & payable and thereupon the said James M Wright at the request of Joel W & Stephen W Wright administrators of the said Peter M Wright advertised the said tract of land at the most public places in the neighborhood of said land for at least ten days to be sold under the deed of trust aforesaid upon the premises on the 21st day of Sept 1868, and on that day proceeded thereto sell the tract of land for cash, according to the terms of said deed, at which sale the said Edmund W Sale became the purchaser of the said tract of land at the price of Six hundred & Sixty dollars that being his & the highest bid for the same Now therefore the said James M Wright for and in consideration of the sum of Six hundred and Sixty dollars the purchase money to him in hand paid by the said Edmund W Sale before the Sealing & delivery of these presents the receipt whereof the said James M Wright doth hereby acknowledge, hath bargained & sold and doth by these presents grant, bargain sell and convey with special Warranty unto him the said Edmund W Sales his heirs & assigns that certain tract of land lying & being in the county of Bedford bounded by the lands of C Bandy, P R Moormaw S G & R B Stewart and others containing Eighty acres be the same more or less it being the same tract or parcel of land conveyed to the said James M Wright in trust by the said Richard B Feather by the deed aforesaid, And whereas it appearing to the parties hereinafter named, that the said Peter M Wright in his lifetime, sold the before mentioned tract of land to the said Richard B Feather but failed to make to him a title for the same We therefore as the heirs at Law of the said Peter M Wright decd hereby confirm the sale made by James M Wright, as trustee of the land hereinbefore mentioned and in consideration of Six hundred and Sixty dollars paid to the said James M Wright Trustee the receipt whereof We Susan

Wright widow of the said Peter M Wright deceased, James D Craft Mary J his wife, Charles H McManaway & Nancy A his wife, Peter M Wright and Sarah J his wife Joel B Lemon & Eliza A his wife, William W Basham and Susan J his wife Stephen W Wright and Margaret J his wife, Joel W. Wright & Eliza S his wife, James M Wright & Mary T his wife hath acknowledged and in consideration of which doth hereby grant and convey with General Warranty unto him the said Edmund W Sale his heirs & assigns _____ _____ before described. In Witness whereof the parties to this deed have hereunto set their hands & affixed their seals, day and date above written

James M Wright Trustee
Susan Wright
James D Craft
Mary J Craft
Chs H McManaway
Nancy A McManaway
Peter M Wright
Sarah J Wright
Joel B Lemon
Wm W Basham
Susan J Basham
S W Wright
Margaret J Wright
Joel W Wright
Eliza S Wright
James M Wright
Mary T Wright
Eliza A Lemon

State of Virginia County of Bedford to wit

I S G Stewart a justice of the peace for the county aforesaid in the State aforesaid do certify that James M Wright Trustee and also in his own right Susan Wright, James D Craft, Charles H McManaway, Peter M Wright, Joel B Lemon, William W Basham Stephen W. Wright and Joel W Wright whose names are signed to the writing above bearing date on the 5' day of October 1868 hath acknowledged the same before me in my county aforesaid Given under my hand and seals this 5' day of Oct 1868

S. G Stewart JP

State of Virginia County of Bedford to wit

We S. G Stewart & Abner Howell justices of the peace for the county of Bedford in the State of Virginia do certify that Nancy A McManaway the wife of Charles McManaway, Sarah J Wright the wife of Peter M Wright, Susan J Basham the wife of Wm W. Basham, Margaret J Wright the wife of Stephen W Wright, whose names are signed to the writing above bearing date on the 5' day of October 1868 personally appeared before us in the county aforesaid, and being examined by us privily and apart from their husbands, and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to them the said Nancy A McManaway Sarah J Wright, Susan J Basham and Margaret M Wright acknowledged said writing to be their act and declared that had willingly executed the same & do not wish to retract it Given under our hands this the 5' day of October 1868

S G Stewart JP
Abner Howell JP

State of Virginia County of Botetourt to Wit

We Robert R Lumsford and James W Shirey justices of the peace in and for the county aforesaid, do certify that Eliza A Lemon wife of Joseph B Lemon whose names are signed to the annexed writing bearing date on the 5' day of October 1868 personally appeared before us in our county aforesaid, and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband, and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Eliza A Lemon acknowledged the said writing to be her act and declared that she had willingly executed it and does not wish to retract it

Robert R. Lunsford
James W. Shirey

State of Virginia Franklin county to wit

We B N Hatcher and Lewis Dillion Justices of the peace for the county aforesaid in the state of Virginia do hereby certify that Mary J Craft wife of James D Craft whose names are signed to the annexed writing bearing date on the 5' day of October 1868 personally appeared before us in our county aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the writing fully explained to her she the said Mary J. Craft acknowledged the said writing to be her act and and declared that she had willingly executed it and does not wish to retract it Given under our hands this the 21st day of of December 1868

B N Hatcher JP
Lewis Dillion JP

State of Virginia County of Bedford to wit

I Green Dearing a Justice of the Peace for said County do certify that Eliza S Wright the wife of Joel W Wright and Mary T Wright the wife of James M Wright whose names are signed to the writing above bearing date on the 5' day of October 1868 personally appeared before me in the county aforesaid, and being examined by me privily and apart from their husbands & and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to them they the said Eliza S Wright and Mary T Wright acknowledged the said writing to be their act and declared that they had willingly executed the same, and do not wish to retract it Given under my hand January 22nd 1869

Green Dearing JP

In the Clerks office of the county court of Bedford county January 26, 1869

This deed was presented in said office, stamped with One dollar US Internal revenue stamps cancelled according to law and together with the Certificate of acknowledgement, and relinquishments of Dower, admitted to record

Teste
A. H. Curtiss Clk"

From this record the family of 1860 Peter Meador Wright can be identified as follows:

Wife: Susan (____) Wright

Children:
1) Mary J. (Wright) Craft,
2) Nancy A. (Wright) McManaway,
3) Peter M. Wright,
4) Eliza A. (Wright) Lemon,
5) Susan J. (Wright) Basham,
6) Stephen W. Wright,
7) Joel W. Wright, and
8) James M. Wright.

The 1870 Census for Bedford County, Virginia, listed Susan Wright in the Wm. Basham household:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Wm. Basham	43	M	W	Farmer	3000
Susan Basham	35	F	W	Keeping house	
Susan Wright	68	F	W	At home	
David Kent	23	M	W	Farm laborer	

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
1000	Virginia				
	Virginia				
	Virginia				
	Virginia				

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote
		1	
		1	

This record indicates that Susan Wright was born in about 1802.

On November 29, 1870, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 22/135 Stephen W. Wright and Joel Wright filed a further accounting for the estate of Peter Meador Wright:

"The Estate of Peter M Wright decd
In a/c with S. W. & J. W. Wright admrs

1867		Dr.	Prin	Int
March	To cash paid tickets	1	21.17	
Oct	" cash paid tax & tickets	2	13.82	
	" cash paid Foster	3	3.00	

Dec 31	" com on $17.41		.87	
"	" Bal		2299.40	569.77
			2338.26	569.77
1867	Cr			
Jany 1	By Balance due on last settlement		2320.85	432.01
Sept	" cash of E. W. Dearing on bond		7.08	
	" cash of Jacob Moorman		1.75	
	" cash of Wm J. Frailing on sale bond		3.00	
	" cash of E. W. Dearing " " "		5.58	
Dec 31	" Int on $2320.85			137.76
			2338.26	569.77
1868	Dr.			
Jany	To cash paid tax & tickets	4	12.88	
Apl 27	" cash paid G A. Wingfield judgt for Int for W. A. Arrington &c	5	237.17	
	" cash paid Ths. W. Patterson	6	.75	
	To cash paid S. E. James	7	10.00	
May	" cash paid		182.20	
July 1	" com on $36.95		1.84	
	" Bal		2001.51	636.36
			2336.35	636.36
1868	Cr.			
Jany 1	Balance			
2299.40				569.77
" "	" cash of Rickerson on sale		15.25	
March	" cash of J. D. Meador		3.75	
"	" cash of J. E. Wright		1.65	
Apl	" cash of C. H. Wooldridge		15.00	
" "	" cash of Wm A. Bowles		1.30	
July 1	" Int on $2299.40 for 6 months agreeably to disbursements			66.59
			2336.35	636.36
1868	Cr.			
July 1	By Balance		2001.51	636.36

Payments to Distributers

1	Jas Craft & wife	656.49	
	Int on $525.92 from 1 Jany '67	47.33	703.82
2	C. H. McMannaway & wife	1325.72	
	Int on $1049.98 from 1 Jany '67	94.49	1420.21
3	W W Basham	92.90	
	Int on $75	4.50	97.40

4	L. F. Wright	2098.82	
	Int on $1825.82	164.25	2263.07
			4514.60

I certify that having advertised the same according to law, I have settled the account current of the estate of Peter M Wright decd with S W & J W Wright admrs as above

J. A. Wharton

In Bedford County Court Clerk's office October 18th 1870

This Settlement of the accounts of S. W. & J. W. Wright admr's of the estate of Peter M Wright decd. was this day produced in said office & filed for exceptions

Teste,
Ro. S. Quarles C.B.C.

In Bedford County Court november 29th 1870.

This Settlement of the accounts of S. W. & J. W. Wright admrs of the estate of Peter M. Wright decd. having lain in the Clerk's office of this Court more than one month was produced in Court & no exceptions having been taken thereto, was examined, confirmed & ordered to be recorded.

Teste,
Ro. S. Quarles, C.B.C."

On February 11, 1871, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 45/327 Susan Wright conveyed all of her interest in the estate of Louise F. Wright to Charles H. McManaway:

"This Deed made this the 11the day of February in the year of our Lord 1871, Between Susan Wright & Chas. H. McManaway both of the County of Bedford & State of Virginia Witnesseth, That in consideration of the sum of one hundred & fifty Dollars in cash that the said Susan Wright Grantor hath released unto the said Chas. H. McManaway Grantee & his heirs after him to have and to hold for ever all her right title and interest (being one ninth part) in all the lands belonging to the late Louisa F. Wright, consisting in part of one tract lying on the head waters of the East Branch of Beaver dam Creek and containing about one hundred & Eighty Acres more or less, also one other tract lying on the South & West side of Millers Mountain containing about Forty nine Acres it being the lands assigned to the said Louisa F Wright Decd out of the Estate of the late

Peter M. Wright, in Witness whereof I do here unto set my hand & seal the day & date above named

Susan Wright

State of Virginia
County of Bedford to wit

I Robert M. Beard Justice for the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do certify that Susan Wright whose name is signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing Date on the 11th day of February 1871 has acknowledged the same

Robert M Beard J.P

before me in my County aforesaid

In Bedford County Court Clerk's Office May 22nd 1871

This Deed from Susan Wright to Chas. H. McManaway, conveying an interest real estate was produced in said Office, stamped with Fifty Cents United States Internal Revenue Stamp, cancelled according to law, and together with the Certificate thereto annexed, admitted to record

Teste,
Ro. S. Quarles, C.B.C."

On May 23, 1871, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 22/209 Stephen W. Wright and Joel Wright filed a further accounting for the estate of Peter Meador Wright:

"Estate of Peter M. Wright deceased
In A/C with S W & J W Wright administrators

1868			
July 1	To cash pd taxes	4.63	
1869			
Jany 27	" " " Armstrong & als' atty	55.07	
Feby 6	" " " Daniel Signer on a/c of Lucy Signer	135.00	
May 8	" " " Bufords Clerk tickets	1.33	
	" " " I. James two a/c & 1 order	44.91	
July 1	" balance per contra 3068.45		756.42
		3309.39	756.42
1868			
July 1	By bal: due Estate on last a/c	2001.51	636.38
Aug 15	" Cash of Susan Wright on sales	672.48	

Nov 1	" " " Joel Franklin	.75	
29	" " " Jas C Kasey on bond	.36	
1869			
Jany 22	" " " J. M. Wright on Feather's deed	618.40	
26	" " of J. M. Wright on Feather's deed	12.39	
	" cash of Joel Franklin	.50	
April 8	" " " Wm J. Frailin	3.00	
July 1	" " " Interest on $2001.51		120.06
		3309.39	756.43
1869			
July 1			
Oct 25	To cash paid W L Armstrong	459.47	
	" " " " " on James Signers a/c	9.00	
Nov 12	" " " J M Franklin	5.50	
22	" " " J. F. Johnsons fee	2.75	
1870			
Jany	" " " Clerk's tickets & taxes	96.19	
Feby	" " " Buford's ticket	.36	
Mch 5	" " " Daniel Signer Am't decreed	1380.15	
	" " paid Jno: Horn	903.44	
	" " " " " on a/c Jas: Signers Estate	31.60	
July 1	To Commissions on	91.86	
	" balance due per contra	2382.48	940.52
		5362.80	940.52
1869			
July 1	By bal due estate on last a/c	3068.45	756.42
Sept 29	" cash of Gab Wheeler	4.00	
October 1	" " " Susan Wright	414.10	
13	" " " P. M. Wright on a/c of Silas Dearing	50.00	
Nov 5	" cash of Harvey Baker	25.00	
	" " " S H Harris	9.95	
8	" " " John Suttle	14.00	
12	" " " J M Franklin	5.50	
22	" " " J W Gibson a/c	38.50	
	" " " " " judgt	15.00	
Dec 27	" " " A. P. Feather	5.00	
1870			
Jany 8	" " " Wm Bowles	30.15	
	" " " E W Dearing on sale	12.62	
	" " " J M Wright on Jo Wrights a/cs	92.00	
22	" cash of Jack Sprading	11.32	
22	" " " James Hood	2.59	
28	" " " Phillips on Sale	16.92	
Mch 5	" " of Daniel Signer	735.04	

	" " " " for taxes paid heretofore for him	19.74	
	" " of John Horn & for taxes paid heretofore for him	552.60	
May 5	" " of George Gish for land purchased under decree in which we are receivers	240.32	
July 1	" Interest on $3068.45		184.10
		5362.80	940.52
1870			
July 1			
Aug 6	To cash paid Peter Signer on decree	182.85	
23	" cash paid Arthurs Clerks ticket	58.91	
27	" cash paid Philip Horns am't decreed	1074.08	
	" Cash paid Philip Horn on a/c of James Signers estate	31.60	
Nov 8	" Cash paid James D Meador on Judg't	29.07	
	" Cash paid Clerks ticket in case of Horns garnishee	2.06	
	" Cash paid Jno: Nichols' debt	32.00	
Dec 7	" Cash paid Com'rs fee	7.50	
1871			
Jany 1	" Commissions	108.09	
1870			
Dec 31	To cash paid Jonathan Signer	287.42	
1871			
Jany 1	" balance per contra	2370.80	1011.99
		4184.16	1011.99
1870			
July 1	By bal: due Estate on last settlement	2382.48	940.52
	20 " cash of J. W. Wright on Sale	346.94	
Aug 6	" " of Peter Signer	20.14	
23	" " " J. W. Gibson on bond	100.00	
27	" " " Philip Horn " "	735.63	
	" " " " " taxes	20.14	
	" " " Susan Wright on Sale	250.00	
Sept 17	" " " Joel Foster on bond	40.00	
Nov 8	" " J. D. Meador on fifa	106.70	
Dec	" Cash of C Tuning on order	160.00	
	" Cash of J M Pendleton on Burfords fifa	14.10	
	" Cash of Lawhorne & Turner	8.00	
1871			
Jany 1	" Interest		71.47
		4184.80	1011.99
1871			
Jany	1 By bal: due Estate	2370.80	1011.99

Payments made to legatees since settlement of last a/c:

1 Joe Lemon & wife	16.25	
Interest from Feb 1869	1.90	18.15

I J E Wharton, a Commissioner in Chancery for the County Court of Bedford County, do certify that after advertising the Same according to Law, I have settled & stated the account current of the Estate of Peter M Wright deceased with S W & J W Wright admrs as above

J E Wharton

In Bedford County Court Clerk's Office April 6th 1871

This settlement of the accounts of S W & J W Wright Admrs of Peter M Wright deceased was this day filed for exceptions on said Office

Teste,
Ro S Quarles C.B.C.

At Bedford County Court May 23rd 1871

This settlement of the accounts of S W & J W Wright Admrs of Peter M. Wright deceased having lain in the Clerk's Office of this Court more than one month was produced in Court and no exceptions having been taken thereto, it was examined confirmed and ordered to be recorded

Teste,
Ro S Quarles C.B.C."

On December 16, 1871, at Bedford County, Virginia, Chancery Court Order Book 6/131 the administrators of the estate of Peter M. Wright reported to court on the collection of bonds for the estate of William Gish:

"Stephen W. Wright and Joel W Wright
Admrs of Peter M Wright decd. Plaintiff
against
William Gish & others Defendant
And
Hoardaway A. Turner Executor of Admire Turner
deceased Plaintiff
against
William Gish & others Defendant

These causes came on this day again to be heard upon the papers formerly read, and the report of Joel W. Wright, one of the Administrators of Peter M. Wright deceased, of the collections made by them of the bonds executed to G. A. Wingfield and John R. Thurman Commissioners in these causes, and the report of L. D. Haymond and S Griffin, Commissioners to collect the bonds for the purchase money of the land sold by them, and to pay out as much as was necessary to discharge the debts secured by the trust deed of William H. Fleshman, and the report of John R Thurman of the collections and disbursements by him of the purchase money for the land sold to Burwell St. Clair, and the report of John R. Thurman and S. Griffin of the collections made by them of the purchase money for the land sold to H. J. Franklin, to which reports there is no exception, and were argued by Counsel. Upon consideration whereof, it appearing by the first mentioned report that all of the purchase money for the house and lot in the town of Liberty, purchased by George McH Gish, has been paid, the Court doth adjudge, order and decree that L. D. Haymond who is hereby appointed a special Commissioner for the purpose, do convey the said house and lot to the said George McH. Gish, at the costs of the grantee, by proper deed of conveyance, with special warranty. And the Court, approving the report of L D Haymond and S Griffin, doth confirm the collections and disbursements made by them; and it appearing from the report of Commissioner Wharton that after discharging the debts secured in the trust deed, the lands of William H. Fleshman are next subject to the lien of the judgment in favor of G. A. Wingfield, which said judgment has been paid off by William Muse as security who was thereby substituted to the rights of the plaintiff and after being so substituted assigned to Thomas R. Muse, the Court doth adjudge, order and decree that upon a copy of this decree the said Thomas R. Muse, or his attorney, may withdraw the certificate of Deposit of the Peoples Savings Bank at Lynchburg filed with the report of Commissioners Griffin and Haymond for the sum of One hundred and thirty three dollars and eighty seven cents with interest thereon after the rate of six per centum per annum from the 9th day of December 1871 until paid upon leaving a receipt therefor with the Clerk and collect the same in part of his claim against the said Fleshman And the Court doth further adjudge, order and decree that the aforesaid Commissioners do pay over to the said Thomas R. Muse the balance of the purchase money for the land sold by them, as they shall collect the same, and make report of said collections and payments to this Court. And the Court approving doth confirm the report of John R. Thurman of the collections and payments made by him, and doth also approve and confirm the report of John R. Thurman and S. Griffin of the collection made by them, and doth adjudge, order and decree that they do pay to Hardaway A. Turner Executor of Admire Turner, the sum of One hundred and forty seven dollars and seventy cents, and that they pay over to the said H. A. Turner Executor as aforesaid the balance of the purchase money for the land sold by them as they shall collect the same, and that they make report to this Court of their collections and payments. And all the purposes of the first

mentioned suit of Wright's administrators against Gish &c. being now accomplished, it is ordered that it be separated from the case Turner's Executor against Gish &c and discontinued and stricken from the docket, with the reservation of liberty to any person interested, hereafter to apply for any further decree or order that may be necessary to carry any of the decrees heretofore made into full effect"

On March 23, 1872, at Bedford County, Virginia, D.B. 53/523 the heirs of Peter M. Wright sold to Stephen W. Wright their interest in 112 acres of land that was part of the estate of Peter M. Wright:

"This Deed made this the 23d day of March 1872 between Charles H McManaway & Nancy A. his wife, Joel W. Wright & Eliza S. his wife, James M. Wright & Mary J. his wife and Susan Wright of the one part and Stephen W. Wright of the other part. Witnesseth that in consideration of the sum of one hundred & sixty five dollars the said Chas H. McManaway & Nancy A his wife, Joel W. Wright & Eliza S. his wife James M. Wright & Mary J. his wife and Susan Wright do grant unto the said Stephen W Wright all their right and interest in a certain tract or parcel of land lying in the upper end of the County of Bedford adjoining the lands of Capt French and others and containing one hundred & twelve acres more or less. It being the lands deeded By Christopher Neighbors to the late Peter M. Wright in his lifetime, and the said grantors hath this day remised released and forever quitted claim, and By these presents doth remise release and doth forever quit claim unto the Grantee his heirs and assigns all right title and interest whatsoever both at law and in equity to the lands and premises herein granted. In witness whereof we do hereunto set our hands and seals the day and date above named.

Chas H. McManaway
Nancy A. McManaway
Joel W. Wright
Eliza S. Wright
James M. Wright
Mary T. Wright

State of Virginia County of Bedford, to wit

We Robert M. Beard and William W. Thaxton Justices of the Peace for the County of Bedford and State of Virginia do certify that Nancy A. McManaway wife of Charles H. McManaway, Eliza S. Wright wife of Joel W. Wright and Mary T. Wright wife of James M. Wright whose names are assigned to the writing above bearing date on the 23d day of March 1872 personally appeared before us in the County aforesaid and being examined by me privily and apart from their husbands and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to them they

the said Nancy A McManaway wife of Chas H. McManaway, Eliza S. Wright wife of Joel W. Wright, and Mary T. Wright, wife of James M. Wright acknowledged the said writing to be their act and declared that they had willingly executed the same, and do not wish to retract it. Given under our hands this the day and date above.

Robert M. Beard, JP.
Wm. W. Thaxton J.P.

In Bedford County Court Clerks Office April 20th 1881

This Deed from Charles H. McManaway and wife and others, to Stephen W. Wright, conveying interest in real estate, was produced in said Office, and together with the certificate thereto annexed admitted to record.

Teste,
Ro. S. Quarles, C.B.C."

The death record of Susan Wright was dated on January 24, 1876, at Bedford County, Virginia:

"Name in Full:	Susan Wright
Date of Death:	January 24, 1876
Place of Death:	Bedford
Cause of Death:	Paralysis
Age:	74 yrs
Names of Parents:	Isaac & Polly James
Where Born:	Bedford
Occupation:	Keeping house
Status:	Widow
Name of Informant:	Joel W. Wright
Designation of Informant:	Son"

This record indicates that Susan (James) Wright was born in about 1802.

On September 14, 1877, at Bedford County, Virginia, Chancery Court Order Book 8/475 the court ordered payment to the administrators of the estate of Peter M. Wright from money collected for the estate of William R. Douglass:

"Joel W. Wright and Stephen W. Wright Administrators of Peter M. Wright deceased Plaintiff
against
John G. Kasey, late Sheriff of Bedford County
and as such Administrator of William R.

Douglass deceased and Abijah Douglass Defendants

This cause came on this day to be again heard upon the papers formerly read, and the report of Commissioner James O. Hensley to which there is no exception, and was argued by Counsel. Upon consideration whereof, the Court doth confirm said report: and it appearing therefrom that there is in the hands of John G. Kasey, late Sheriff of Bedford County and as such Administrator of William R. Douglass deceased more than enough to pay the judgment of the plaintiffs, the Court doth adjudge, order and decree, that the said John G. Kasey Administrator as aforesaid, out of the estate of his intestate, if so much he hath, and, if not, then out of his own personal estate, do pay to the Complainants the sum of Eighty four dollars and sixty four cents, with interest on Thirty eight dollars and Seventy seven cents, a part thereof, after the rate of six per centum per annum from the 1st day of September 1877 until paid; and that the defendants do pay to the Complainants their costs about their suit in this behalf expended."

On July 16, 1878, at Roanoke County, Virginia, Clerk's Order Book H/223 Stephen W. Wright and Joel W. Wright, as administrator's of the estate of Peter M. Wright, obtained an order appointing the sheriff as administrator of the estate of Ann McDermed:

"On the motion of Stephen W. Wright and Joel W. Wright Administrators of Peter M. Wright deceased, it is ordered that the Estate of Mrs Ann McDermed deceased, be committed to Wm W. Brand, Sheriff of this County for administration."

On October 11, 1878, at Roanoke County, Virginia, Chancery Court Order Book 3/274 the following order was entered in the case of Stephen W. Wright and Joel W. Wright, as administrators of Peter M. Wright, deceased, v. Ann McDermod's administrator:

"Stephen W. Wright & Joel W. Wright)
Admrs. of Peter W. Wright - decd) Plaintiffs
against
Ann McDermed's Admr. et al Defendant

More than thirty days having elapsed since the service __ the process upon the defendants Wm W. Brand, Sheriff and Admr. of Ann McDermed deceased, Edward McDermed, Martha Lloyd, John B. Ba__ Kerville and Mary his wife, John Stearns and Phoebe his wife, Berry S__ Ann Eliza Settle, and Gordon Henry Settle and the due execution of __ order of publication as to Oliver McDermed,

Caleb Phillips and John R. Richardson, and all these defendants, except the infant defendants, __ answer by their Guardian ad litem, failing to appear and answer, plea__ or demur to the Bill of Complaint - the same is taken for confessed to them, and on motion of E. A. McCauley, guardian ad litem of __ infant defendants Ann Eliza Settle and Gordon Henry Settle, leave is given him to file an answer for them which is accordingly do__ and this cause coming on to be heard upon the Bill and exhibits therewith & taken for confessed as to the defendants herein before named, the ans__ of E. A. McCauley Guardian ad litem for the infant defendants, to w__ the plaintiffs reply generally, and was argued by counsel, whereupon ____ is adjudged, ordered and decreed that this cause be referred to __ Master Commissioner James W. Palmer with instructions to take an__ settle the administration account of Wm W. Brand Sheriff and Administrator of Ann McDermed deceased, to report the amount of ____ to said Ann McDermed's Estate which will be a__ after the payment of the debts of said Ann McDermed, also ____ of the liens against Edward McDermed, and their priorities, also an __ of the real estate owned by said McDermed or in which he may have an interest, and to report such other matters as he may deem pertinent or as may be required by any of the parties in interest - But before proceeding to take said account, the said commissioners shall give notice to the Plaintiffs and defendants in this suit of the time and place of taking the same, and shall post a notice of said time and place at the Court House door of Roanoke County.

Ordered that Court be adjourned till tomorrow morning 9 o'clock.

Henry E Blair"

The administrators of 1860 Peter Meador Wright's estate had apparently sued the administrators of Ann McDermod's estate for an account and sale of assets to pay a debt due to the Peter Meador Wright estate. Further orders for an accunting and sale were filed at Roanoke County, Virginia, Chancery Court Order Book 3/350 and 3/392.

On November 25, 1879, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 24/422 Stephen W. Wright and Joel Wright filed an accounting for the estate of Susan Wright:

"The Estate of Susan Wright decd
In account with P. M. Wright admr

1876	Dr	
To Cash pd Clerk Bed: Co: Ct		3.92
" " " Atty Haymond		5.00
" " " R. L. Dearing		1.56

1877	"	" " Sheriff on fifa	13.59
Dec 1	"	Commissions on $24.07	1.21
		Cr	25.28
		By amt	24.07
		Balance	1.21
1877			25.28
Dec 1		To bal: due Admr	1.21

I Certify I have examined, stated and settled the foregoing account current as above

J E Wharton Cmr of Accounts of Bedford Co. Court

In Bedford County Court Clerk's Office Octo 25th 1879.

This Settlement of the account of Peter M Wright administrator of Susan Wright deceased, was this day filed in said office for exceptions.

Teste,
Ro. S. Quarles C.B.C.

In Bedford County Court November 25th 1879.

This Settlement of the account of Peter M. Wright administrator of Susan Wright deceased, having lain in the Clerk's Office of this Court one month, and no exceptions having been taken thereto, was examined, confirmed and ordered to be recorded.

Teste,
Ro. S. Quarles, C.B.C."

Before August 28, 1880, James M. Wright, Peter M. Wright, Joel B. Lemon, and Eliza A. Lemon filed a complaint in Bedford County, Virginia, Chancery Court, File 1890, against Stephen W. Wright and Joel W. Wright for distribution of the estate of their father Peter M. Wright, Sr:

"To the Hon'l, the Judge of the Circuit Court of Bedford County, in chancery sitting:

Humbly complaining, shew unto your Honor your orators and oratrix James M. Wright, Peter M. Wright, Joel B. Lemon and Eliza A. his wife, that Peter M Wright Senior, late of Bedford County, was in his lifetime, and at the time of his death,

possessed of a considerable personal estate, consisting of ordinary personalty, slaves bonds, notes, accounts and money. That the said Peter M Wright, senior, sometime about the day of ____ 1860 departed this life intestate, leaving Sarah Wright his wife, your orators James M. Wright & Peter M. Wright, your oratrix Eliza A. Lemon and Stephen W. Wright, Joel W. Wright, Mary J. Wright, who intermarried with James D. Craft, Nancy A. Wright, who intermarried with Charles H. McManaway and Susan J. Wright, who intermarried with William W. Basham, his children and heirs at law him surviving. Your orators and oratrix further show that on the _ day of 187_ the said Sarah Wright departed this life, and that at the November term 1860 of the County Court of Bedford County the aforesaid Stephen W. Wright and Joel W. Wright obtained from said Court letters of administration of the goods, chattels and estate of the aforesaid intestate Peter M Wright Sr., and have by virtue thereof possessed themselves of the personal estate and effects of the said intestate to a large amount and value, and much more than sufficient to pay his just debts and funeral expenses. Your orators and oratrix would further show that the said personal property was duly appraised, and that by said appraisement it was valued at $21,944.15 as will more fully appear by a copy of said appraisement herewith filed, marked "No 1". That the sales of ordinary property and of some of the negroes amounted to the sum of $7,973.54 as will also more fully appear by a copy of the list of said sales, herewith filed marked "No 2". Your orators and oratrix would further show that at irregular periods from the year 1864 to the year 1871 the said administrators rendered some accounts before the commissioner of accounts of the said County Court of Bedford County, but that since the last named date the said administrators have failed to make such settlements as the law requires, and that there remains in the hands of the said administrators a large sum of money, of which your orators and oratrix are entitled to their respective shares, and of which your said orators and oratrix have tried in vain to induce the said administrators to render an account. All which actings and doings are contrary to equity and good conscience, and tend to the manifest wrong and injury of your orators and oratrix. In tender consideration whereof, and for as much as your orators and oratrix can only have adequate relief in the premises in a court of Equity and to the end that justice may be done your orators and oratrix pray that the said Stephen W. and Joel W. Wright in their own right and as administrators as aforesaid, James D Craft and Mary J, his wife, Charles H. McManaway and Nancy A. his wife, William W. Basham and Susan J his wife, may be made parties defendant to this bill, and required to answer the same upon their respective corporal oaths, and that as fully and particularly as if the allegations thereof were here again repeated, and they thereto severally and distinctly interrogated that an account may be taken by and under the direction of this Court of the personal estate and effects of the aforesaid, Peter M. Wright Sr. possessed by or come to the hands of the said Stephen W. Wright and Joel W. Wright his administrators, or to the hands of any other person or persons by their order or for their use; and also an account of said intestates debts and funeral

expenses; and that the said intestates personal estate may be applied in due course of administration; that the clear residue thereof may be ascertained; and that your orators and oratrix, respectively, may be paid their respective shares of such clear residue, and that such other, further and general relief be afforded your orators and oratrix as the nature of the case may require, and to equity may seem meet. Grant to your orators & oratrix the commonwealths writ of summons &c and as in duty bound will ever pray &c

Griffin & Lowry p.q."

This record indicates that Peter M. Wright died before December 1860, at Bedford County, Virginia, that his wife Sarah Wright died some time in the 1870's, and that they had the following children:

1) James M. Wright,
2) Peter M. Wright,
3) Eliza A. (Wright) Lemon,
4) Stephen W. Wright,
5) Joel W. Wright,
6) Mary J. (Wright) Craft,
7) Nancy A. (Wright) McManaway, and
8) Susan J. (Wright) Basham.

On August 28, 1880, Stephen W. Wright and Joel W. Wright answered the complaint in File 1890 and asserted that the estate had been accounted for and the cash distributed as collected in lawsuits:

"The joint answer of Steven W Wright and Joel W. Wright Administrators of Peter M Wright Sr to a bill of complaint exhibited agt them & in the Circuit Court of Bedford by James M Wright, Peter M Wright, Joel B Lemon & wife, your respondent for answer to so much of said bill, as they are advised that it is necessary for them to answer, Admit as charged in their bill, that they are the legally authorized Admrs of Peter M Wright Sr, and admit that as such Admrs they became possessed of a considerable amount of personal property, amounting as shown by exhibit 1 filed with the plaintiffs, bill in the sum of $21.944 & 15 ct but in this amount is indeed, notes, bonds, accounts, and a small amount of cash on hand at their intestates death, in all amounting to the sum of $14,351.76 a large portion of these debts proved to be insolvent after your respondent using due diligence to collect the same, some of these debts which will ultimately be made are still in litigation. Your defendants filed with their

answer copies of their settlement of this Estate marked C D E F G & H which they pray to be taken as a part of this answer, so that with the exhibits of other settlements filed with plaintiffs bill, show that they have from time to time settled their accounts with this Estate, and paid over to the distributees the full amounts of their respective shares in this personal Estate by the sum of $186.34 balance in their hands due distributees, and the last settlement January 1878 Since this last settlement your respondent have collected as debts due the Estate, from suits in Court & otherwise about $____ which, they hold subject to the order of the Court in this suit after availing them with $____ paid distributees out of this sum since last settlement

Jordan & Claytor p.d. Stephen W. Wright
Joel W Wright Adm of P. M. Wright

This day Stephen W Wright appeard before me S G Stewart a notary Public and made oath that the foregoing answer contains the truth to the best of his knowledge & belief Given under my hand this 25" day of August 1880

S G Stewart NP

Bedford County, to wit

This day Joel W. Wright personally appeared before me Chas N McManaway a Justice of said County and made oath that the foregoing answer contains the truth to the best of his knowledge and belief given under my hand the 28" day of August 1880

Chas N. McManaway J.P."

On September 4, 1880, the court in File 1890 entered its decree ordering an accounting for the estate:

"Wright James M &c)
vs) Note for decree. Sept 1880.
Stephen W. Wright &c)

This cause, which has regularly matured at rules, came on this day to be heard on the bill of the complainants, the decrees nisi entered herein at rules the joint answer of Stephen W Wright and Joel W. Wright administrators of Peter M Wright decd & the replication thereto and was argued by counsel. Upon consideration whereof the Court doth confirm said nisi decrees (and taking the said bill for confessed as to the defts who have failed to answer) doth adjudge, order and decree that one of the commissioners of this Court do take the following accunts.

1. An account of the personal estate and effects of Peter M. Wright Sr, deceased, that came into the possession of Stephen W. Wright and Joel W Wright, his administrators, or of either of them, or into the hands of any other person or persons by this order or for their use.

2. An account of the debts of the said Peter M. Wright Sr, deceased.

3. An account of the administration of the estate of their said intestate by the aforesaid administrators.

4. An account of said administrators with each of the distributees of said estate.

And the said administrators are directed to render said accounts before said commissioner, who is hereby ordered to examine, state and settle the same, taking as the basis of his report the accounts current of said administrators, so far as they may have been regularly settled and recorded before the institution of this suit correcting them so far as they may appear on their face to be erroneous or may be shewn to be so by proofs upon proper specifications ____ & falsifying (?) the same filed before the said Commissioner on reasonable notice of the sevice of copies of such specifications as the said ____, before the taking of said accounts, and the said Commissioner is directed to make report of the said accounts to this Court"

On September 9, 1880, at Bedford County, Virginia, Chancery Court Order Book 10/85 in the case of Stephen W. Wright v. Wright H. Wright the court ordered the division and allotment of land between the parties:

"Stephen W. Wright, Plaintiff
against
Wright H. Wright, Defendant

This cause came on this day to be heard upon the bill and exhibits, answer of the defendant and replication thereto, the depositions of witnesses, and exceptions to parts thereof, and was argued by Counsel. Upon consideration whereof, the Court is of the opinion that the partition of the land in the bill mentioned as made by M. French, W. W. Foutz and J. D. Meador should be sustained, and that the parties should convey to each other the several parcels of the said land allotted to them respectively by a deed of partition: therefore the Court doth adjudge, order and decree, that Luther D. Haymond, who is hereby appointed a Commissioner for that purpose, do on behalf of the parties respectively execute a proper deed of partition between them of the tract of Forty eight and one half acres of land mentioned in the allotment and decision of said French and others and of the plat and survey marked "BB" filed with the papers

and deliver the same to said parties ready for recordation: and that the plaintiff do pay to the defendant his costs by him about his defence in this behalf expended: and that this cause be stricken from the docket."

In November 1880 at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 25/166 Stephen W. Wright and Joel Wright filed a further accounting for the estate of Peter Meador Wright:

"The Estate of Peter M. Wright, deceased
In account with S. W. & J. W. Wright administrator

1871					
January	To cash pd W. B. Preas on Fifa		1	1.00	
	" " " Sheriff's tickets (Roanoke)		2	1.50	
	" " " J R Perdue on Fifa		3	28.53	
April	" " " Costs Foster's Warrant		4	1.50	
	" " " " Dowdy's "		5	.80	
May	" " " Tax & clerk's tickets		6	25.06	
5	" " " G. A. Wingfield's fee &c		7	108.00	
	" " " Virginia Advertiser		8	5.00	
	" " " Bedford Sentinel		9	13.00	
15	" " " J N Lemon		10	1.50	
July 1	" " " J R Thurman's fee		11	9.78	
	" " " J. F. Johnson's fee a/c		12	122.50	
	" " " Commr's ticket		13	1.00	
	" " " Tax			4.61	
October	" " " L. D. Haymond's fee		14	10.00	
	" " " W. W. Berry		15	10.00	
	" " " E. J. & M. A. Selch		16	459.47	
	" " " J B Corley on Mattie		17	302.61	
	" " " Clerk's tickets		18	9.85	
	" " " Tax		19	.86	
Dec 22	" " " Goode's Fifa vs Thomas		20	.58	
	" " " Saml James (May)		21	53.95	
1872					
January 1	" Commissions on $2664.83	5¢		133.24	
	Balance			3731.29	1153.59
				5035.63	1153.59
1871		Cr			
January 1	By balance due Estate			2370.80	1011.99
19	" Cash of J N Haythe			18.78	
	" " " J. W. Turner			10.17	
	" " " W. H. Frailin			5.10	
	" " " Wilson Wheeler			1.36	
	" " " Wm Bowles			13.89	

	" " "	J. W. Giles	16.20	
	" " "	George Gish	249.60	
24	" " "	J W Giles	100.00	
	" " "	Harver Baker	85.00	
April 26	" " "	Susan Wright	567.94	
29	" " "	Loyd & Lawhorne	8.47	
	" " "	J. R. Adams	25.85	
May 5	" " "	G. R. Wingfield on Gish a/c	100.00	
	" " "	W. V. Jordan " Gish a/c	600.00	
	" " "	P. M. Wright on Silas Dearing a/c	206.27	
July 1	" " "	J. R. Thurman bal on Gishes debts	189.61	
Aug 3	" " "	J. R. Perdue	2.93	
	" " "	Joel Franklin	2.50	
	" " "	John Mason	42.92	
22	" " "	Gabriel Wheeler	20.00	
20	" " "	G R Adams for E W Dearing	90.00	
Septr	" " "	Horn & Spradling	86.04	
Dec	" " "	J. P. Corley	53.28	
	" " " " "	Hale's bond in full	33.33	
	" " "	James Corley	5.52	
	" " "	J. B. Dorley	95.70	
	" " "	J B. Corley a/c: in full 34.37		
1872				
January 1	Interest on $2370.80 1 year		_____	142.25
			5035.63	1153.59
		Dr		
1872				
January 1	To Cash paid Clerk's tickets		8.11	
	" " "	Tax on Neighbors' bond	3.99	
	" " " " "	Same	.42	
1873				
January 1	" Commissions on $249.49		12.47	
	Balance		3955.79	1387.27
			3980.78	1387.27
1872		Cr		
January 1	By balance due Estate		3731.29	1153.59
February	" Cash of Berry Suttles		19.96	
	" " "	Daniel Falls	40.25	
June	" " "	Camuel Thomas	11.42	
	" " "	W M Wright	19.30	
Dec	" " "	E. W. Dearing	58.56	
	" " "	J W Wright on on Franklin land	100.00	

1873			
Jany 1	" Interest on $3731.29 5¢		233.88
		3980.78	1387.27
1873	Dr		
July 1	To Commissions on $3587.46	179.37	
	" Commr's fee	8.00	
	Balance	7355.98	1505.94
		7543.25	1505.94
1873	Cr		
Jany 1	By balance due Estate	3955.79	1387.29
	" Cash of Joseph Hardy	117.10	
June	" " " Susan Wright sale bond	812.55	
	" " " P M Wright sale bond	950.13	
	" " " S W Wright " "	1707.68	
July 1	" Interest on 3955.79		118.67
		7543.25	1505.94
1873			
July 1	By bal: due Estate	7355.98	1505.94

Statements of Advancements

To James M Wright		
Principal	$1825.50	
Interest	1204.83	3030.33
" Mary J. Wright		
Principal	$1307.95	
Interest	863.25	2171.20
" Nancy A Wright		
Principal	$ 775.02	
Interest	511.51	1286.53
" P. M. Wright Jr		
Principal	$1750.50	
Interest	1155.33	2905.83
" Eliza A. Wright		
Principal	$1759.50	
Interest	1161.21	2920.71
" Susan J. Wright		
Principal	$1749.50	
Interest	1154.67	2904.17
" Stephen W. Wright		
Principal	$ 450.00	
Interest	197.00	747.00

" Joel W. Wright

Principal	$1660.00	
Interest	1056.00	2656.00
Amount		18621.77

The foregoing advancement bear interest from July 1, 1862 to July 1 1873 11 years

The distributees or children are all to be made equal before the widow receives her third. In order to make all equal to J M Wright these must be paid

1	To L. F. Wright	$3030.33 - 0000.00 =	3030.33
2	" M. J Wright	3030.33 - 2171.20 =	859.13
3	" Nancy H Wright	3030.33 - 1286.53 =	1743.80
4	" P. M. Wright Jr.	3030.33 - 2905.83 =	124.50
5	" Eliza A. Wright	3030.33 - 2920.71 =	109.62
6	" Susan J. Wright	3030.33 - 2904.17 =	126.16
7	" Stephen W Wright	3030.33 - 747.00 =	2283.33
8	" Joel W Wright	3030.33 - 2656.00 =	374.33
	Amount		8651.20

$1068.72 must be deducted as L. F. Wright received that amount from sale of slaves of S. W. Wright Commr

off

1862			
June 1	Cash sale slaves	$1068.72	
	Interest to July 1 1873	704.05	1762.77
	Balance		6888.43

which balance of $6888.43 is to be first paid to the children to equalize before the widow receives her third.

Balance due on settlement July 1, 1873

Principal		$7355.98
Interest		1505.94
		8861.92

off

For _ing bal; paid to equalize 6888.43		
Amt retained to pay outstanding debts	300.00	7188.43
Balance		1673.49

off

The widow's third		557.83
Balance		1115.66

which last bal: $1115.66 to be divided
in 9 equal parts: 1/9 (1115.66) = 123.96

The Estate of P. M. Wright
In a/c; with J M Wright

To 1/9 interest in Estate		$123.96
By cash April 28, 1871	$200.00	
Int to July 1, 1873	26.02	226.02
Amt over paid		102.06

The Estate of P. M. Wright
In a/c with J B Craft & Mary his wife

To amt to equalize advancements			859.13
" 1/9 Interest in Estate			123.96
Total			983.09
By Cash (Jany 1867)		$656.49	
" Int on $525.92		205.11	861.60
" Cash June 1 1871	$40		
Int to July 1, 1875	5 45.00		906.60
Bal due distributee			76.49

Estate P. M. Wright
In a/c: with C H McMannaway & Nancy his wife

1873			
July 1 To amt to equalize advancements			$1743.80
" 1/9 interest in Estate			123.96
			1867.76
	off		
Cash of Admrs to 1 Jany 1867		$1325.72	
Int on $1049.98 to 1 July 1873		409.94	1735.21
Balance due distributee			132.55

The Estate P. M. Wright
In a/c with P. M. Wright Jr

1873		
July 1 To amt to equalize advancements		$124.50
" 1/9 Interest in Estate		123.96
Amt due distributee		248.46

Estate of P. M. Wright
In a/c; with J. B. Lemon & Eliza his wife

1873				
July 1	To amt to equalize advancements			$109.62
	" 1/9 interest in Estate			123.96
		off	amt	233.58
	By Cash Feby 1869	$16.25		
	Int to July 1 1873	4.22	20.47	
	" Cash May 15, 1871	$100.00		
	Int to July 1, 1875	12.75	112.75	133.22
	Balance due distributee			100.36

Estate of P. M. Wright
In a/c with W. W. Basham & Susan his wife

1873				
July 1	To amt to equalize advancements			$126.16
	" 1/9 Interest in Estate			123.96
	Total			250.12
		off		
	Cash July 1 1868	$97.40		
	Int to July 1, 1873	29.22		126.62
	Amt due distributee			123.50

Estate P. M. Wright
In a/c with S. W. Wright

1873				
July 1	To amt to equalize advancements			2283.35
	" 1/9 interest in Estate			123.96
	Amt due distributee			2407.29

Estate P. M. Wright
In a/c with Joel W. Wright

1873				
July 1	To amt to equalize advancements			374.33
	" 1/9 interest in Estate			123.96
	Amt due distributee			498.29

Estate P. M. Wright
In a/c with Estate L. F Wright

1873				
July 1	To amt to equalize advancements			3030.33
	Deduct amt paid her by S. W. Wright Commr			1762.77
	Balance			1267.56
	To 1/9 interest in Estate			123.96
	Amount			1391.52
		off		
	Cash (Prin & Int to July 1, 1873)		67.21	
	" June 1 1863	$40.31		
	Int to July 1, 1875	24.39	64.70	
	Cash Dec 23 1863	633.00		
	Int to July 1, 1873	361.60	994.60	
	Cash January 1864	50.11		
	Int: to July 1, 1873	28.56	78.67	1205.18
				186.34

I certify I have examined, stated and settled the foregoing account current as above

J E Wharton Commr of accounts of Bedford County Court

In Bedford County Court Clerk's Office July 28th 1880.

This Settlement of the accounts of S. W. & J W Wright admrs of Peter M. Wright deceased, was this day filed in said office for exceptions.

Teste,
Ro. S. Quarles, C.B.C.

In Bedford County Court November Term 1880,

This Settlement of the account of S. W. & J. W Wright administrator of Peter M. Wright deceased, having lain in the Clerk's Office of this Court more than one month and no exceptions having been taken thereto, was examined, confirmed and ordered to be recorded.

Teste,
Ro. S. Quarles, CBC"

In March 1881 the court in File 1890 entered an order finding that Joel W. Wright had died and reviving the suit in the name of his executrix Eliza S. Wright:

"Wright James M. &c)
v) Order to revive. March 1881
Stephen W. Wright &c)

It being suggested that since the last term of this Court Joel W. Wright, one of the defendants in this cause, has departed this life, and it appearing that Eliza S. Wright has qualified as the executrix pf the last will and testament of the said Joel W. Wright, by consent of parties, by their respective attorneys, it is ordered that this cause be revived in the name of the said Eliza S. Wright, executrix as aforesaid, and that hereafter it be proceeded with against her as such executrix.

S. W. & Joel W. Wright Adm's of
Peter M. Wright decd
with Griffin & Lowry

1876 Sept 23		
To this sum under decree in case of		
Garrett ads Busfords Admr		$147.63
Fee in cash	20	
Bal due fee in case of		
Hum vs McFalls	1	21.00
		$126.63

Recd the above balance as stated per apc.

Joel W. Wright Admr
of Peter M. Wright Dec."

Various depositions were taken in May, June, and August 1881 regarding the collectibility of various debts due to the estate. The testimony of the witnesses was substantially that all of the debtors to the estate were insolvent.

On September 14, 1881, the court in File 1890 and at Bedford County, Virginia, Chancery Court Order Book 10/399 approved parts of the report of the commissioner and the exceptions thereto and ordered certain payments to the heirs:

"Wright James M &c)
v) Note for decree
Wright's Admrs &c)

This day this cause came on again to be heard upon the papers formerly read, the report of J. Laurence Campbell, one of the Commissioners of this Court, and exceptions thereto by the Complainants and the defendant Stephen W. Wright admr of Peter M. Wright decd, the depositions of witness, vouchers & other evidence in the cause and was argued by counsel. Upon consideration whereof the Court doth sustain the exception aforesaid of the defendant Stephen W. Wright, and the second & fourth exceptions of the complainants, & doth sustain the sixth exception of the complainants as to commissions on all receipts by the Adminitrators of Peter M. Wright decd after the settlement of their last Ex parte account to July 1st, 1873, & doth over-rule the residue of said sixth Exception, and also the first, third & fifth exceptions of the complainants. And the report aforesaid of Comr. Campbell being modified by a special statement made out & filed amongst the papers in this cause marked "Ax", so as to conform said report to the opinion of the Court upon said exceptions, the Court doth approve and adopt said report as modified by said special statement Ax, and adjudge, order & decree that Stephen W. Wright surviving Admr. of Peter M. Wright decd, do out of the estate of his intestate in his hands to be administered, if so much he hath and if not that he out of his own estate & Eliza S. Wright Exx of Joel W. Wright decd. out of the estate of her testator in her hands to be administered, do pay to James D. Craft and Mary J. his wife, the sum of $485.73 with interest thereon after the rate of 6 per cent per annum from the 1st day of September, 1885, till payment; to Charles H. McManaway and Nancy A. his wife the sum of $16.39 with like interest thereon from the said date, till payment to Peter M. Wright the sum of $18.41 with like interest thereon from the same date till payment; to Joel B Lemon & Eliza A. his wife the sum of $30.44 with like interest thereon from the same date till payment; to W. W. Basham and Susan J. his wife the sum of $233.16 with like interest thereon from the same date till payment. And that James M. Wright do pay to the said Stephen W. Wright suriving Admr. of Peter M Wright decd the sum of $98.12 with like interest thereon from the same date till payment

But the parties in whose favor decree are made against the admrs of Peter M. Wright decd. are not to have the benefit of the decrees in their respective favors till they shall have entered into bond with good security before the Clerk of this Court in penalties at least equal to the amounts to be received by them respectively with condition to refund a due proportion of any debts that may hereafter appear against said Peter M. Wright decd & the Cost of recovery of the same

And the Court doth further order & decree that the defendant Stephen W. Wright surving admr of Peter M Wright decd do pay the costs of their suit out of the estate of his intestate in his hands to be administered, if so much he hath, if not that the same be paid out of his own estate & the estate of Joel W. Wright decd.

And all of the objects for which this suit was instituted having been attained it is ordered that the same be stricken from the docket, with liberty to the parties respectively to apply hereafter on reasonable notice for any further, order or decree which may be necessary to carry out & give full force & effect to this or any former order or decree entered in this cause."

On or about September 5, 1890, the children of Stephen W. Wright filed a complaint in Bedford County, Virginia, Chancery Court, File 2593, for an order directing the transfer of certain land originally owned by Peter M. Wright and allocated to Stephen W. Wright pursuant to court orders that had been lost:

"To the Honorable Jno. D. Horsley, Judge of the Circuit Court of Bedford County, sitting as Chancellor.

Humbly complaining shew unto your Honor your Orators and Oratrices Ellis L Wright, Jno T. Graves and Ida F. his wife, and Samuel Woods and Dora A. his wife, that some time about the year 1861 one Peter M Wright at that time a resident of this County (Bedford) departed this life seised and possessed of a large landed estate and valuable personal property; that the said Peter M. departed this life intestate surviving him nine children to whom his said real estate descended, whose names were as follows, to wit: Mary Jane, wife of James D. Craft, Nancy Ann, wife of Charles M. McManaway, Eliza Annie wife of Joel D. Lemon, Susan Julia wife of William W. Basham, Louisa Frances Wright, Joel W. Wright, Peter Meador Wright, James Matthew Wright and Stephen W. Wright. Soon after the death of the said Peter M. Wright deceased suit was instituted in the County Court of Bedford County by some of the heirs of Peter M. Wright deceased against the others for the purpose, amongst other things, of having said real estate divided amongst said heirs and such proceedings were had as that Commissioners were appointed by said Court to make said division and said Commissioners did make said division and reported the same to said Court, and said Court by a decree made in said cause at its May Term 1862 confirmed the report & division of said Commissioners and further decreed that the parties "do respectively hold the lands so allotted and assigned to them respectively in severalty." Copies of the orders appointing said Commissioners and confirming their said report respectively are herewith filed marked respectively A and B and prayed to be read as parts of this Bill. Diligent search has been made in the Clerk's Office of said County Court for the original papers in said suit, or some record of said division and report but none can be found.

No deed of partition was made between said heirs, nor mutual conveyance, for their respective tracts, nor were said lands conveyed by any commissioner appointed for that purpose, but the heirs simply held under said decree of May term 1862 of Bedford County Court.

Your Orators and Oratrice, further represent that under said allotment and division there was allotted to James M. Wright who subsequently conveyed to the said Stephen W. Wright one tract or parcel containing about seventy three acres in Bedford County and to the said Stephen W. Wright a large boundary, known as the Gwaltney tract, lying partly in Bedford and partly in Roanoke County. This latter tract containing two hundred and eleven acres lying partly in each of said Counties of Bedford and Roanoke was set apart to the said Stephen W., who held, used occupied and enjoyed the same as his sole property until his death a few years ago, and since his death the same has been so held, used, occupied & enjoyed by his heirs, hereinafter mentioned. But no deed therefor was ever made to the said Stephen W. in his lifetime, or to his heirs since his death. A survey of said last two mentioned tracts of land, or some more adequate description thereof will be hereafter filed amongst the papers in this cause.

Your Orators and Oratrices further represent that after the death of the said Peter M. Wright the said Louisa Frances Wright, attained the age of twenty one years and then died intestate, unmarried and without issue, and before said allotment and division. They further represent that since the death of the said Peter M. Wright, the said Joel W. Wright has departed this life testate, surviving him his widow Eliza S. Wright and the following children, to wit: Libbie V. wife of Wm B. Ferguson, Thomas S Wright, Nannie F. wife of James W. Stephens, Abbie D. Wright, Pearl L. Wright and Ola G. Wright, the last three of whom are infants under the age of 21 years; that the said Peter Meador Wright has departed this life intestate, surviving him his widow Sarah J. Wright and the following children, to wit: Mary S. wife of Wm. I. Dooley, Maria F. wife of Daniel W. Basham, Jno. A. Wright, Willie C. Wright, Annie E. Wright, Belle L. Wright, Laura C. Wright and Star A. Wright, the last three of whom are infants under the age of 21 years; that the said James Matthew Wright has also departed this life intestate, surviving him his widow Mary T. Wright and the following children, to wit: Susan E. Wright, Wm P. Wright, Julia A. wife of Samuel H. Dooley, Mary E. wife of Adam L. Feather, James A. Wright, Alice F. Wright, Delia E. Wright, Charles E. Wright and Mattie J. Wright, the last one of whom is an infant, under the age of 21 years, and that the said Stephen W. Wright has departed this life intestate, surviving him as his only heirs at law three children, to wit, Your Orator Ellis L Wright and your Oratrices Ida F. Graves and Dora A. Woods. A duly certified copy of the will of the said Joel W. Wright is herewith filed marked C and prayed to be read as a part of this Bill.

Your Orators and Oratrices further represent that since the death of the said Stephen W. Wright they have agreed amongst themselves upon a division of his real estate, and by the terms of said agreement said two tracts of 73 acres and 211 acres respectively are to be the sole property of your Orator Ellis L Wright and to be conveyed to him as such.

In tender consideration therefore of the premises and for as much as your Orators and Oratrices are without adequate remedy at law, they pray that the said James D. Craft and Mary Jane his wife, Charles H. McManaway and Nancy Ann his wife, Joel B. Lemon and Eliza Annie his wife William W. Basham and Susan Julia his wife, Eliza S. Wright, William B Ferguson and Libbie V. his wife, Thomas S. Wright, James W. Stephens and Nannie F. his wife, Sarah J. Wright, William I. Dooley and Mary S. his wife, Daniel W. Basham and Maria F his wife, John A. Wright, Willie C. Wright, Annie E. Wright, Mary T. Wright, Susan E. Wright, William P. Wright, Samuel H. Dooley and Julia A. his wife, Adam L. Feather and Mary E his wife, James A. Wright, Alice F. Wright, Delia E. Wright, Charles E. Wright, Mattie J. Wright, Belle L. Wright, Laura C. Wright, Star A. Wright, Abbie D. Wright, Pearl L. Wright, and Ola G. Wright, the last seven of whom are infants, under the age of 21 years, be by proper process made parties defendants to this suit, and waiving an Answer under oath from any of said defendants that said two tracts of land of seventy three acres and two hundred and eleven acres, respectively, be conveyed to your Orator Ellis L. Wright, that a guardian ad litem be assigned to said infants defendants, and an order of publication be awarded against the said William P. Wright and James A. Wright, who do not reside in the state of Virginia. Grant unto your Orators and Oratrices the Commonwealth's writ of summons commanding &c and all such further and other aid and relief in the premises as equity and good conscience may dictate and the nature of their case require and as in duty bound they will ever pray &c

Mark (?) Campbell, p.q."

This record indicates that Peter M. Wright had the following children:

1) Mary Jane (Wright) Craft,
2) Nancy Ann (Wright) McManaway,
3) Eliza Annie (Wright) Lemon,
4) Susan Julia (Wright) Basham,
5) Louisa Frances Wright,
6) Joel W. Wright,
7) Peter Meador Wright,
8) James Matthew Wright, and

9) Stephen W. Wright.

On December 3, 1890, William W. Basham gave his deposition in File 2593 supporting the allegations of the complaint:

"The Deposition of William W. Basham, of lawful age, taken at the Law office of McFall (?) Burks & Campbell in Bedford City Va. on the 3rd day of December 1890 to be read as evidence on behalf of the Plaintiffs in a suit in chancery pending in the Circuit Court of Bedford County Va. wherein Ellis S. Wright & others are Plts and James D. Craft & others are Defts.

Present Mr. W. P. Burks of Burks & Campbell counsel for Plts & Capt S. A. Sale Gdn ad litem of Inft Dfts. The Witness being duly sworn answered as follows

Question by Counsel for Complainants

Are you acquainted with the two tracts of land in the Bill mentioned (the Howell tract of 73 acres & Gueltney tract of 211 acres) if so, please state how Mr. Stephen W. Wright acquired the same?

Ansr. I am acquainted with both tracts. The tract of 73 acres was drawn in the division of lands of Peter M. Wright by James M. Wright & sold by him to Stephen W. Wright. The tract of 211 acres above mentioned was drawn in same division by Stephen W Wright & was more than his share, as he had to pay something on it Both tracts belonged to Peter M Wright Sr. & were his at the time of his death.

2nd By same

Do you know whether any search has ever been made in the Clerk's office of the County Court of Bedford for the papers in the suit in which Peter M. Wright Sr. land was divided, & if so, what was the result of the search?

Ansr. I know that suh search was made & was informed the papers could not be found

1st Ques. by S. A. Sale Gdn ad litem of inft Defts

Have you any interest in the subject matters of the above named suit?

Ans. No Sir

And further deponent saith not

Wm W Basham

Bedford County to Wit I, R. D. Buford, a Notary Public for said County, do certify that the within Deposition of Wm W. Basham was taken, subscribed & sworn to before me on this 3d day of December 1890

Notary's fee 75P Paid R. D. Buford, N.P."

On December 5, 1890, the court in File 2593 ordered the transfer of the land to Ellis L. Wright:

"At Bedford Circuit Court December 5 1890. Ellis L Wright, John T. Graves and Ida F his wife, and Samuel Woods and Dora A. his wife Plaintiffs

against

James D. Craft and Mary Jane his wife, Charles H McMannany and Nancy Ann his wife, Joel B Lemon and Eliza Ann his wife, William W Basham and Susan Julia his wife, Eliza S. Wright, William B. Ferguson and Libbie V. his wife, Thomas S. Wright, James W. Stevens and Nannie F his wife, Sarah J Wright, William I. Dooley, and Mary S. his wife Daniel W Basham and Maria F his wife, John A Wright, William C Wright, Annie E Wright, Mary T. Wright, Susan E. Wright William P Wright, Samuel H Dooley and Julia A. his wife, Adam L Feather and Mary E his wife James A Wright, Alice F Wright, Delia E. Wright, Charles E. Wright, Mattie J Wright Belle L Wright, Laura C Wright Star A Wright, Abbie D. Wright, Pearl L Wright and Ola G Wright, the last seven of whom are infants under the age of twenty one years by L A Sale their Guardian ad litem Defendants

This day this cause which has been regularly matured and set for hearing at the rules came on to be heard on the Bill of the Complainants and exhibits therewith filed the orders and proceedings at the rules the order of publication awarded at rules against the non resident defendants William P. Wright and James A Wright which appears to have been duly published and posted in the manner and for the length of time required by law the answer of the infant defendants by L A Sale their Guardian ad litem and on the deposition of William W Basham, and was argued by Counsel. On consideration whereof the Court doth take said bill for confessed as to all of the adult defendants except the said William P Wright and James A Wright and doth confirm said proceedings at the rules and more than fifteen days having elapsed since the completion of said order of publication and the said William P Wright and James A Wright still failing to appear and said bill being taken for confessed as aforesaid the Court doth adjudge, order and decree that M P Banks, who is hereby appointed a Commissioner for that purpose do for and on behalf of the parties to this suit, convey to the Complainant Ellis L. Wright the two tracts of land in the bill mentioned to wit, the "Howell tract" containing Seventy three acres more or less and the "Gwaltney

tract" containing Two hundred and eleven acres more or less, by proper deed for that purpose and make report thereof to this Court for further decree."

In May 1891 M. P. Burks reported in File 2593 that he had conveyed the real property to Ellis Wright as ordered.

On May 4, 1891, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 27/74 J. T. Graves filed an accounting for the estate of Peter Meador Wright:

"Account of J. T. Graves, Administrator de bonis non of Peter M Wright, deceased

1890			
July	By amount collected of Jordan & Claytor, attorneys for Wright's Admr vs. Douglass &c		$24.51
	To Clerk's fees as per account herewith	$ 3.56	
1891			
Apr 1	To Commissioner's fees	.75	
" "	Balance cash on hand	20.20	
		$24.51	$24.51

Commissioner's Office
Bedford County, April 2d 1891

To the County Court of Bedford County

Your commissioner reports to the Court, that on the 1st day of April J. T. Graves, Administrator, de bonis non of Peter M. Wright deceased, exhibited before your Commissioner a statement of all the money, which he the said J. T. Graves had received or become chargeable with, or had disbursed, together with the vouchers for such disbursements. That your commissioner has not posted any notice before the completion of the foregoing account, because the said J. T. Graves was appointed administrator do bonis non for the the sole purpose of making the foregoing collection of $24.51 and that your Commissioner desired the posting of any notice unnecessary. Your Commissioner finds a balance of $21.13/100 due from the administrator to the said estate of which sum 93 cents is interest. The account is supported by satisfactory vouchers and is herewith returned. Your Commissioner further reports to the Court, that he has examined whether the said administrator has given such bond as the law requires, and whether it is in penalty, and with securities sufficient and finds the same to be unobjectionable & fully sufficient

Given under my hand, as Assistant Commissioner of the said Court on the day & year first aforesaid.

Jno. B Goode
Assistant Commissioner

In Bedford County Court Clerk's Office, April 3rd, 1891

This settlement of the Account Current of John T. Graves Administrator de bonis non of Peter M. Wright deceased was this day filed in said Office for exceptions.

Teste,
Ro. S. Quarles, C.B.C.

At Bedford County Court, May 4th, 1891

This Settlement of the Account Current of J. T. Graves Administrator de bonis non of Peter M. Wright deceased, having lain in the Clerk's Office of this Court more than one month was produced in Court, and no exceptions having been taken thereto, it was examined, confirmed, and ordered to be recorded.

Teste,
Ro. S. Quarles, C.B.C."

On June 5, 1891, the court in File 2593 concluded the case:

"1891 June 5th

This day this cause came on again to be heard on the papers frmerly read and the report of M P Burks Commissioner and was argued by Counsel. On consideration whereof the Court doth approve and confirm said report and all the objects for which this suit was instituted having been attained, it is ordered that the same be stricken from the docket with liberty reserved to the parties hereto to apply hereafter on reasonable notice for any further order or decree which may be necessary to carry out and give full force and effect to this or any former decree made in this cause."

On October 7, 1891, at Bedford County, Virginia, W.B. 27/177 J. T. Graves filed an accounting for the estate of Peter Meador Wright:

"The Estate of Peter M. Wright Sr. deceased
In account with John T. Graves His Administrator d.b.n.

1891		Dr.	Cr.
July 31	To Cash Paid Commissioner's fee bill	4.50	

	" " " J. M. Speece Clk tickets	2.50	
	" " " Held to pay Ro. S. Quarles Clk for recording this a/c & the one April 1st 1891 & other fees	5.22	
	" Commissions on $24.51 collected from Jordan & Claytor Attys in suit Wrights Admr vs Douglass &c	1.23	
	Balance	7.72	
1891			
April 1	By Bal as per Settlement		20.20
July 31	" Interest to date		.97
		21.17	21.17
1891			
July 31	By Balance due the Estate		7.72

Statement

5/8 to Stephen W Wright's children
3/8 to Joel W. Wright's Do

To Ida F Graves 1/3 of 5/8 of $7.72	1.61	
" Dora A. Wood 1/3 of 5/8 of 7.72	1.61	
" Ellis L. Wright 1/3 of 5/8 of 7.72	1.61	
" Eliza S. Wright Admrx of Joel W. Wright decd for children 3/8 of	$7.72	
	2.89	
	7.72	7.72

I hereby certify that I examined, Stated and Settled the foregoing account current as above.

W. W. Berry
Commissioner of Accts of
Bedford County Court
Per W. M. Quarles

In Bedford County Court Clerk's Office, August 21st, 1891

This Settlement of the Account Current of John T Graves, Administrator of Peter W. Wright, deceased, was this day filed in said Office for exceptions.

Teste,
Ro. S. Quarles, C.B.C.

At Bedford County Court, October 7th, 1891.

This Settlement of the Account Current of John T Graves, Administrator of Peter W. Wright, deceased, having lain in the Clerk's Office of this Court, more than one month was produced in Court, and no exceptions having been taken thereto, it was examined, confirmed and ordered to be recorded.

Teste,
Ro. S. Quarles, C.B.C."

On November 27, 1891, at Bedford County, Virginia, Chancery Court Order Book 14/147 the suit of the administrators of the estate of Peter M. Wright v. the estate of William R. Douglass was dismissed as having been fully resolved:

"Stephen W. Wright Administrator of Peter M Wright deceased who sues as well for himself as all others the creditors of Abijah Douglass deceased as may come into this suit upon condition of contributing ratably to the costs thereof Plaintiff
against
John G Kasey late Sheriff of Bedford County and as such Administrator of William R Douglass deceased and others, Defendants

The plaintiffs acknoledging satisfaction of the debts proven in this cause and all the objects for which this suit was instituted having been accomplished it is ordered that the same be stricken from the docket and that the plaintiffs recover of the defendants their costs by them about this suit in their behalf expended."

On December 13, 1892, at Roanoke County, Virginia, D.B. 10/334 M. P. Burks, as commissioner, executed a deed to allot the land of Stephen W. Wright which had previously been allotted to him from the estate of Peter M. Wright following the suit to partition the estate:

"Whereas, Peter M Wright, formerly of Bedford County Va, died intestate some years ago, seised and possessed of valuable real estate (including the two tracts of land hereinafter mentioned) which real estate, upon his death descended to his heirs and was divided amongst them, but no deed of partition was ever made between said heirs; and

Whereas the tract of 211 acres of land hereinafter mentioned, upon said division was allotted to Stephen W. Wright, and the said Stephen W Wright also became the owner of the tract of 73 acres hereinafter mentioned and afterwards said Stephen Wright departed this life intestate, and said two tracts of land descended to his heirs and

Whereas the heirs of the said Stephen W. Wright afterwards in the year 1890 instituted their suit in the Circuit Court of Bedford County against Mary Jane Craft and others, the heirs of Peter M. Wright, deceased, to obtain title to said two tracts of land and in said bill the heirs of Stephen W. Wright charged that they have agreed amongst themselves upon the division of the real estate of the said Stephen W. Wright deceased and by the terms of said agreement the two tracts of land hereinafter conveyed were to be the sole property of Ellis L Wright, one of said heirs and to be conveyed to him and in the prayer said bill they prayed that the said two tracts of land should be conveyed to said Ellis L. Wright; and

Whereas said Court, by a decree made in said chancery cause of Wright & others against Craft and others, on the 5th day of December, 1890, did adjudge, order and decree that M. P. Burks, who was thereby appointed a Commissioner for that purpose should, for and on behalf of the parties to said suit convey to said Ellis L. Wright, one of the complainants in said suit, the two tracts of land in the bill mentioned to wit: the "Howell Tract" containing 73 acres more or less and the Gwaltney Tract" containing 211 acres, more or less, by proper deed for that purpose; and

Whereas said two tracts of land have since been conveyed and it has been ascertained that the said Gwaltney tract is composed of two parcels, containing in the aggregate 211 acres

Now, therefore this deed, made the 13th day of December 1892 between M. P. Burks Commissioner as aforesaid of the one part and the said Ellis L. Wright of the other part,

Witnesseth That the said M. P. Burks for and on behalf of the parties to said suit and in consideration of the premises and of the sum of Ten Dollars in hand paid, the receipt whereof is hereby adknowledged and in execution of the decree last aforesaid, doth grant and convey unto the said Ellis L. Wright said two tracts or parcels of land, to wit the Howell Tract containing 73 acres, and of the metes and bounds, courses and distance following to wit: Beginning at a stake in the road 3 poles from a balck oak and white oak, corner to No. 3 at 13, thence with the same N. 9 W. 321 poles to a sarvis berry tree and a hickory near the head waters of Wolf Creek at 14 thence N. 62, W 1-3/4 poles to a large black oak at 15 thence S. 10 W. 152, poles to two white oaks at 16 by a tobacco field, a corner to the land of David Howell, thence with the line of same S. 11 W. 52 poles to a double white oak near a branch at 17, thence S. 21-1/2 E. 21-1/2 poles to near a gum, thence S 55 E 22 poles to a swamp oak at 18, thence S 35 E 27 poles to a white oak stump in the same at 19, thence S 30 E 13 poles to his white oak at 20, thence S. 18-1/2 E. 50 poles to a Spanish oak at 21 thence with the land of W. Howell S. 75 E 26 poles to place of Beginning, containing 73 acres.

And the said Gwaltney Tract comprised of two parcels of land, one containing 171 acres more or less and the other containing 40 acres more or less (altogether 211 acres, more or less) and the metes and bounds, courses and distances of which two parcels of land are severally as follows, to wit:

I. Beginning at two white oaks, corner to Washington Howell, thence with his line N. 10° E. 164 poles to his corner black oak the same course continued 147 poles further to a chestnut oak on a branch, thence N 55° E. 30 poles to a dogwood N. 5° E 33 poles to a Spanish oak, thence N. 85 W. 70 poles to two chestnut oaks by a road thence S. 38° W 106 poles to a double chestnut oak stump, thence S. 30° W. 28 poles to a Spanish oak stump by a field thence S 62° W 28 poles to a chestnut corner to Widow Howell on Gish's line thence with the line of widow Howell S. 23 E 94 poles crossing a branch to 2 black oaks, thence S 80° E 11 poles to a double chestnut oak, thence S 20-1/2 E 162 poles to a stake thence N. 73° E 54 poles to a stake thence N. 18 W. 10-1/2 poles to a white oak, thence N. 30 W 13 poles to a white oak, thence N. 35 W. 37 poles to a swamp oak thence N. 55° W 22 poles to a gum, thence N. 21-1/2 W 21-1/2 poles to a double white oak thence N. 11 E 52 poles to the Beginning containing 171 acres, more or less

II. Beginning at a stake in a line of the widow Howell and corner to No. 4 in the division of the lands of David Howell, decd, and with the line of No. 4, N. 20-1/2 W 164 poles to a double chestnut oak, thence N. 30 W. 12 poles to a black oak, thence S. 55 W. 31 poles to four feet S.W. of a hickory corner thence S. 20° E 159 poles to a stake, thence N. 73 E. 40 poles to the Beginning containing 40 acres more or less. Said Gwaltney tract lying partly in the County of Bedford and partly in the County of Roanoke

Witness the following signature and seal

M. P. Burks Commissioner

State of Virginia)
County of Bedford) to wit:

I Graham Claytor a Commissioner in Chancery for the Circuit Court of County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do certify that M P Burks, whose name is signed to the foregoing writing bearing date the 13th day of Decemnber 1892 has acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid

Given under my hand this 14th day of Dec 1892.

Graham Claytor
Comr. in Chcy.

In the Clerk's Office of the County Court of Roanoke County the 31st day of December 1892, this deed was presented and with the certificate annexed admitted to record.

Teste
Wm McCauley, Clerk"

Our Kin listed the birth date of Peter Meador Wright as on May 15, 1802, and listed the date of Peter Meador Wright's death as circa 1861 at Bedford County, Virginia.

NSSAR Application #79314 for Alfred Bunyan Lemon dated November 13, 1956, stated that Peter Meador Wright was a son of Matthew Wright and Nancy (Holland) Wright, was born on May 15, 1802, married Susan ____ on August 24, 1824, and died on October 23, 1860, and that Susan (____) Wright was born on March 1, 1802, and died on January 24, 1876.

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below the children of 1860 Peter Meador Wright of Bedford County and Susan or Sarah Jane (James) Wright were the following:

1) James Matthew Wright, born on April 15, 1825, at Virginia, probably at Bedford County, Virginia,

2) Mary Jane (Wright) Craft, born about 1827 at Virginia, probably at Bedford County, Virginia,

3) Nancy E. Ann (Wright) McManaway, born on September 6, 1829, at Bedford County, Virginia,

4) Peter Meador Wright, born on April 1, 1831, at Virginia, probably at Bedford County, Virginia,

5) Eliza Ann (Wright) Lemon, born about 1831 at Virginia, probably at Bedford County, Virginia,

6) Susan Julia (Wright) Basham, born on August 14, 1834, at Virginia, probably at Bedford County, Virginia,

7) Stephen Wood Wright, born about 1836 or 1837 at Bedford County, Virginia,

8) Joel Wilson Wright, born about 1838 or 1839 or 1840 at Bedford County, Virginia,

9) Louisa Frances Wright, born about 1842 or 1843 at Virginia, probably at Bedford County, Virginia,

10) Martin Van Buren Wright, born probably at Bedford County, Virginia, and died in infancy,

11) Elizabeth A. Wright, born probably at Bedford County, Virginia, and died in childhood, and

12) Thomas Benton Wright, born probably at Bedford County, Virginia, and died in infancy.